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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL S. N. COMPANY.

LIST OF DEPARTURES FROM BOMBAY FOR MARSEILLES & LONDON

WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT BRINDISI AND MALTA.

Date of Sailing.	Steamer.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons.
[illegible]	SALSETTE	6000	MOLDAVIA	9500
[illegible]	MANTUA	10885	....	...
29th "	SALSETTE	6000	MONGOLIA	9505
6th May	ARABIA	7903	....	...
13th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOREA	10890
20th "	[illegible]	7912	....	...
27th "	[illegible]	6000	MOOLTAN	9611
3rd June	[illegible]	7951	......	...
10th "	[illegible]	6000	CHINA	7932
17th "	[illegible]	7558	....	...
24th "	[illegible]	8092	MALWA	10883
1st July	[illegible]	6898	....	...
8th "	[illegible]	6000	MACEDONIA	10512
15th "	[illegible]	7933	....	...
22nd "	[illegible]	6000	MARMORA	10509
29th "	[illegible]	7912	.....	...

All the above Mail Steamers are fitted with WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

The above Steamers convey Passengers to Marseilles, Plymouth and London.

Passengers for Brindisi tranship to a connecting Steamer at Port Said.

Tenders leave the BALLARD PIER on day of sailing. All passengers must attend at that place at 12-30 P. M. for Medical Inspection by the Health Officer of the Port.

Friends of Passengers cannot go on board the Mail Steamer.

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BOMBAY to NAPLES and GENOA direct.

FOR BRINDISI and VENICE Transhipping at PORT SAID.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail on
R. Rubattino	4,580	L. Mancini	...15th April 1911
D. Balduino	4,580	D. Maganzine	...15th May 1911
R. Rubattino	4580	L. Manchini	....15th June 1911

RATES TO THE ABOVE PORTS INCLUSIVE OF WINE, BEER AND FANS.

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
Single Tickets.........	Rs. 500	Rs. 350	Rs. 165
Return Tickets available two years......	Rs. 750*	Rs. 525	Rs. 247-8

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BOMBAY TO COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE AND HONGKONG.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail on
Capri	6,000	P. Figari	...16th April 1911
Ischia	6,000	G. Belsito	...16th May 1911
Capri	6,000	P. Figari	...16th June 1911

Fares to COLOMBO Rs. 75, to PENANG Rs. 140 to ....to SINGAPORE Rs. 165 and to HONGKONG Rs. 220.

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Steamer	Tons	Sailing about
s. s. Umona	.....5,000.......	13th May 1911.

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INTEND TO DESPATCH STEAMERS AS FOLLOWS:—

FOR KARACHI.

Weekly from Victoria Dock.

Steamer.	Tons.	Sailing.	Date.	Time.	Route via.
Dumra ...	1695	Thurs.	13th April	9 a.m.	via C. M.
Lhasa......	2171	Fri.	14th April,	6 a.m.†	direct.
Linga ...	2171	Mon.	17th April	11 a.m.*	P D & C M.

† Or later on arrival of English Mail Steamer.
* Porebunder, Dwarka and Cutch Mandvi.

FOR CUTCH MANDVI, KARACHI AND BUSREH (Weekly).

S. S. "Dumra," 1695 tons, on Thursday, 13th April calling (for Mails and Passengers) at Muscat, Bushire, Mahomera, also taking Passengers and cargo on through bookings to Ahwaz and Baghdad.

FOR VERAWAL, MANGROLE KARACHI AND PERSIAN GULF (Weekly).

S. S. "Bulimba," 2510 tons, on Monday, the 17th April, calling at Pasni, Gwadur, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Dubai, Linga, Bahrein, Bushire, and Koweit.

FOR EAST AND SOUTH AFRICA. (Monthly.)

S. S. "Lindula," 3358 tons, on Thursday, 20th April, calling at Seychelles, Lamu, Mombasa, Zanzibar, Mozambique, Beira, Delagoa Bay and Durban.

FOR COAST PORTS AND CALCUTTA.

A. Steamer sailing on or about 22nd April.

FOR RANGOON OR CALCUTTA (Direct).

Frequent sailings, for particulars of which, also as to onward connections to ports in [illegible], Burma, Straits Settlements, Mauritius, Australia, and New Zealand.

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MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
Agents, BOMBAY.

12th April, 1911.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

TO MARSEILLES.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captain.	To Sail on THURSDAY
Dumbea	5,635	..Rebufat	...13th April 1911.
Armand Behic	...6,385	..Guionnet	..11th May 1911.
Caledonien	..4,130	..Malber	..... 8th June 1911.
Sydney	4,118	..X	6th July 1911.
Polynesien	6,363	..Bruno	.......31st July 1911.
Salazie	4,147	...Riquier	..... 3rd Aug. 1911.
Australien	6,365	....	28th Sept. 1911.

INTERCHANGEABLE TICKETS.

RETURN TICKETS can be made available for one way by the Messageries Maritimes, and the Return Voyage by the Austrian Lloyd's or the Navigationa General Italiana's at Reduced Fares.

TO AUSTRALIA DIRECT AND THE FAR EAST, TRANSHIPPING AT COLOMBO.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To Sail on or about.
Sydney	4,118	...X	...21st April 1911.
Salazie	4,147	...Riquier	...19th May "

For further particulars apply to—

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ANCHOR LINE.

REGULAR SAILING FROM BOMBAY TO MARSEILLES AND LIVERPOOL.

The following SAILINGS have been arranged :—

ANCHOR LINE SAILINGS.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1911.

Steamer.	Tonnage.	Captain.	Leave Bombay.	
Circassia ...	6716	C F Osborne R N R	15th Apl.	1911
Scindia ...	5106	Wm. Kelso	24th "	"
Castalia ...	6388	J. Hamilton	7th May	"
Elysia ...	6368	A. Haig	20th "	"
Massilia ...	5091	J. Thomson	9th June	"
Olympia ...	5124	G. Mitchell.........	21st "	"
Circassia ...	6716	C F Osborne R N R	11th July	"
Scindia ...	5106	Wm. Kelso.........	23rd "	"
Castalia ...	6388	J. Hamilton	8th Aug.	"
Elysia ...	6368	A. Haig	21st "	"
Massilia ...	5091	J. Thomson	8th Sept.	"
Olympia ...	5124	G. Mitchell	23rd "	"
Circassia ...	6716	C F Osborne R N R	9th Oct.	"
Scindia ...	5106	Wm. Kelso	21st "	"
Castalia ...	6388	J. Hamilton	4th Nov.	"
Elysia ...	6368	A. Haig	18th "	"

Schedule of the revised rates of fares from Bombay Homeward ports by the Anchor Line steamers:—

	Single.	Return
Bombay to Suez	Rs. 413	627
Bombay to Portsaid	" 446	677
Bombay to Marseilles and back from Liverpool	" 578	924
Bombay to London Overland from Marseilles and back from Liverpool.	" 653	999
Bombay to Gibraltar	" 590	891
Bombay to Liverpool	" 605	957
Bombay to New York	" 808	1,340
Bombay to Cairo, including train fare from Suez	" 446	

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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL...	£ 2,000,000
PAID UP CAPITAL......	£ 1,000,000
RESERVE FUND..........	£ 800,000

HEAD OFFICE:
26, BISHOPSGATE, LONDON E. C

BRANCHES:

Calcutta,
Bombay,
Madras,
Karachi,
Lahore
Amritsar,
Delhi,
Cawnpore
Chittagong,
Tuticorin,
Cochin,
Rangoon,
Mandalay,
Colombo,
Kandy
Newera-Eliya.
Aden (Camp)
Aden, (Steamer Point)
Zanzibar
Mombasa,
Nairobi,
Entebbe,
Kampala. Uganda.
Nakuru, British East Africa.

FIXED DEPOSITS.—The Bank receives DEPOSITS FIXED for one year and shorter periods, at Rates of Interest to be ascertained on application.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened to approved Customers, and interest is allowed at 2 per cent, per annum on daily balances from Rs. 1,000 up to Rs. 1,00,000, but no interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half-yearly.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE, payable in the principal Cities of Europe, India, China, Africa, and Australia purchased or collected.

DRAFTS are granted on the Head Office and Branches of the Bank and on the principal Cities of Europe, Africa, America, and Australia. Remittances may be made by telegram.

The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks, and Shares and receive same for safe custody, realizing Interest and Dividends when due.

LOANS and CASH CREDITS granted on approved Securities.

Post Box No. 140 W. J. K. HEGARTY,
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THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL	£ 1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	£ 1,125,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL..................	£ 562,500
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS	£ 562,500
RESERVE FUNDS	£ 325,000

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The Bank negotiates and collects Bills and grants Drafts payable at its Head Office and Branches, and issues Letters of Credit for the use of Travellers.

The Bank receives Deposits on the following terms :—

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS

Interest allowed at 2 per cent. on the daily balance if not under Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000. Sums over Rs. 1,00,000 will be received on terms to be ascertained on application.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Rates for Fixed deposits for 12 months and shorter period to be ascertained on application.

The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks, and Shares, and receives same for safe custody, realising interest and dividends when due.

JAMES MURDOCH,
Esplanade Road, Bombay. Manager.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LD.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	... Yen. 48,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL	... " 24,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS...	... " 16,850,000

HEAD OFFICE:—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES AT :—

Antung-Hsien
Bombay
Changchun
Dairen (Dalny)
Hankow
Hongkong
Honolulu
Kobe
Liaoyang
London
Lyons
Fengtien (Mukden)
Nagasaki
Newchwang
New York
Osaka
Peking
Ryojun (Port Arthur
San Francisco
Shanghai
Tiehling
Tientsin
Tokyo

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened for approved customers, and interest is allowed at two per cent. per annum on daily balances of Rs. 1,000 upto Rs. 100,000, provided that the amount of half-yearly interest is not less than Rs. 5.

FIXED DEPOSITS are received for one year and shorter periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

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K. KODAMA,
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RESERVE FUND (in Government Paper)................................Rs. 28,00,000

HEAD OFFICE : SIMLA.

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FIXED DEPOSITS received and interest allowed at rates which can be ascertained on application.

SAVINGS BANK—Deposits received and interest allowed. Rules on application.

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The prices for the V.P.T. Camera fitted with	Syntor Lens	...	...	Rs. 120
Do. do. do.	Dagor Lens	...	...	" 160

We also stock the Special Film Tenax, a Roll film camera for ¼ plate pictures, which has all the advantages of the popular type of folding hand and stand camera, yet is compact enough to be carried in the pocket.

We shall be pleased to demonstrate the use of above cameras and give advice to intending purchasers and develop first exposures free of charge.

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NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

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BOMBAY, 3RD APRIL, 1911.

To

SHAPOORJI BROACHA, ESQ.,
SHERIFF OF BOMBAY.

SIR,—WE, the Undersigned, have the honour to request that you will be so good as to convene a PUBLIC MEETING of the inhabitants of Bombay, at an early date, in order to decide what steps shall be taken by the City to commemorate the visit of HIS MAJESTY THE KING-EMPEROR and HIS CONSORT to India, in December next, and to raise a public subscription for the purpose.

B. Scott.
Louis P. Russell.
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Cowasjee Jehangir.
Sassoon David,
Currimbhoy Ebrahim.
Rustomji Byramji Jeejeebhoy.
Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy.
G. C. Plinston.
J. T. Otaka.
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Bomanji Dinshaw Petit.
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J. A. Jaffrey.
Ramnarayan Harnandrai.
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Pherozshaw M. Mehta.
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Stanley Reed.
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P. R. Cadell.
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Manmohundas Ramji.
L. Volkart.
T. Ibukiyoma.
Jehangir B. Murzban.
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S. M. Edwardes.
W. L. Graham.
R. D. Tata.
W. J. H. Hegarty.
and others.

IN accordance with the above requisition, I hereby CALL a PUBLIC MEETING of the Inhabitants of Bombay, in the TOWN HALL, on THURSDAY, the 13th April, 1911, at 6-15 p. m. (S. T.).

S. B. BROACHA,
Sheriff of Bombay.

Bombay, 10th April, 1911.

THE ANCHOR LINE s. s. "SCINDIA," has ARRIVED from GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL and discharges in the Victoria Dock.

Consignees are requested to present their Bills of Lading for our COUNTER-SIGNATURE and to TAKE DELIVERY of their GOODS without delay.

Packages exceeding 30 cwts. in weight will be landed on the quay at the risk and expense of Consignees, unless boats are sent alongside to take delivery without delay. Consignees are hereby expressly notified that all claims for damage must be adjusted by the Steamer's Surveyor before the goods are removed from the Landing Shed. The Undersigned decline all responsibility in respect of goods removed to the Unclaimed Warehouse. All claims must be presented before the sailing of the steamer, otherwise none will be entertained.

Captain METCALFE will attend every morning. Holders of through Bills of Lading are requested to make written, not verbal, application regarding their goods, failing the Undersigned will not be responsible for any delay caused by Consignees not being advised of arrival of such goods.

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Agents.

Graham's Buildings,
Bombay, 11th April, 1911.

ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND of 20 per cent. on the paid-up Capital (Rs. 10 per Share), for the year ending 31st December, 1910, will be paid to Registered Shareholders on and after MONDAY, the Twenty-fourth day of April, 1911, at the Offices of the Company, "Oriental Buildings."

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. PATERSON BROWN,
Manager.

Bombay, 11th April, 1911.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a BRANCH of THIS BANK has been OPENED at NAKURU, British East Africa.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LTD.
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Under instructions from R. D. Sethna, Esq., the Receiver of the estate of Damoder Lakhmidas Khimji, deceased, appointed by the High Court of Bombay, by an order made on the 8th day of April, 1908, in the above Suit and pursuant to the directions contained in the order made in the said Suit, on the 23rd day of February, 1911, Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE and Co., Auctioneers, will put up for sale by Public Auction, at the premises in one lot, the undermentioned immovable properties comprising of the family house of the late Mr. Lakhmidas Khimji, at Ganeshwady, and the chawl adjacent to it THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of April, 1911, at 4-30 p.m. (Standard Time).

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DAILY MARKET REPORT.

LONDON MARKETS.

ONDON, April 10.] [BOMBAY, April 11.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
per cent. Consols ...	81 15-16	un	chgd
do. Rentes ...	96 1-4	un	chgd
do. Sterling Loan ...	96 1-2	un	chgd
do. Gov. Securities...	64 7-16	1-16	
ilver in London ...	24 1-2	un	chgd
do. 2 months' hence...	24 5-8	un	chgd
Silver in New York ...	53 1-8	un	chgd
hange on London at Paris ...	25-30	un	chgd
do. do. at Berlin...	20-45		1-2
do. do. New York...	4-86 1-4		1-4
ount Bank of England Rate...	3 p.c. since 9th Mar.		
do. Short London Bills 3 months' sight...	2 1-2	un	chgd
do. Indian Bank Bills 6 months' sight...	2 1-2	un	chgd
do. 3 months' Fine Trade Bills...	2 7-8	un	chgd
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills...	3 1-8	un	chgd
reet day-to-day Loans ...	2 5-8	un	chgd
do. 7 day Market Loans...	2 3-4	un	chgd

ar Gold 77-9 unchgd

xchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying e) 1 3 29-32 unchgd.

mount withdrawn from the Bank of England, £125,000.

UNCIL BILLS.—EXTRA ALLOTMENTS.—
Rs. 4,50,000 at 1s. 4 1-8d.

losing Tone of Silver.—Steady with small buyers.

PORT SAID, April 11.

SHIPMENTS OF GOLD.

he Messageries Maritimes steamer "Sydney," has pped gold to value of £50,000 for India.

COTTON.

IVERPOOL—

Spot	Steady. Good business done.
Futures ...	Steady.
East Indian ...	Steady.
Manchester	Firm with a fair deman
Total Sales ...	12,000
Sold on Speculation and for Export	1,000
Imports ...	Nil.
Mid-Americans ...	7-87+02
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown	9 7-8 unchgd.

UTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

-May	May-June	June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
7·65 +08	7·65 +08	7·60 +08	7·55 +08	7·28 +08

ept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.
6·99 +05	6·75 +06	6·30 +05	6·79 +05

ew York Official noon call May 14-62 July 14-51.

W YORK—

	Bales.
eceipts at U. S. Ports ...	5,000
eceipts at " Last year ...	12,000
xports to Great Britain ...	2,000
xports to Continent ...	11,000
pot Cotton— ...	14·75 +10

utures—Month of May 14·67+10
utures—Month of July 14·69+17
[Advanced on favourable cables and on bull support and short covering.

W ORLEANS—

ot cotton ...	14 1-2+1-16
Futures—Month of Mar ...	14·69+10
Do. " May ...	14·75+13
osing Tone of Spot Cotton ...	Firm.

[London, April 10.

LL BROTHERS' REPORT:—

ur Circular is bullish very little cotton in the ior, We expect a better demand for goods in erica.

WHEAT.

hite Choice Karachi ...33 1-4
Do. Months—May-June.
Do. Name of Ports—London.—Sellers.
ed Karachi ...32 3-4
Do. Months—March-April.
Do. Name of Ports—London.—Sellers.
one—Firmer.

SOUTH AMERICAN.

osario Santa Feb-62lbs ...32 1-8
Do. Months—April-May.
Buyers &c.—Sellers—Firmer.

SEEDS.

PESEED—
ellow Gujrat, per 416 lbs, 85 p. c. ex-ship ...44 1-4
Do. Months—April-May.
Do. Name of Ports—Dunkirk.—Sellers.
Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs., 85 p.c. ex-ship ...46 1-4
Do. Months—May-June.
Do. Name of Ports—Dunkirk.—Sellers.
rown Cawnpore ...39 1-4
Do. Months—April-May.—Sellers.
Do. Name of Ports—Amsterdam.
Tone of Rapeseed—Flat.
NSEED—
Bombay, per 416 lbs., ex-ship ...88 1-2
Do. Months—March-April.—Done.
Do. Name of Ports—Amsterdam.
Tone of Linseed—Firm.
Linseed Argentine (La Plata) ...65 1-4
Do. Months—April-May.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp.—Sellers.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OFFEE—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality)...12—unchgd.
UBBER—
Para Rubber ...5-11—Sellers—Dull.
ETALS—
Copper Braziers £66
Yellow Metal .... d 6
Standard Copper G M B.......... £54 1-4
REIGHT—
Coals :—Cardiff to Bombay Canal ...10s.
RRIVALS—
"Corinthic", "Fernmoor", "Tonkin".
UGAR—
German Granulated Sugar C & F India (Double bags) ...13 7 1-2—Sellers.
Do. Months of Shipment...May-August.
Tone—Steady but little doing.
Hungarian Crystals Sugar C & F India ...13 1 1-2—Nominal.
Do Months of Shipments ...April.
Tone—Quiet.
German Beet-root 88 o/o ...10 7 1-2—Sellers.
Months of Shipments ...May.
Tone—Market opened steady closed dull.
E A B & Similar Crystals C & F India ...14 6 3-4—Sellers.
Months of Shipments ...April-August.
Tone—Quiet but steady.
Mauritius Crystals C & F Calcutta and Bombay ...12-1—Value.
Months of Shipments ...April.
Tone—Little doing.
Java Sugar—
General Tone—Quiet.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

TUESDAY EVENING.] [11th April 1911.

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Importers
	Rs.		
Boxes Bars...	1,52,207	Perth	Chartered Bank
1 Box Sovs....	7,965	Alexandria	J H E Obadiah
Gold Coins ...	2,124	do	
1 Bundle Rs...	1,500	Koweit	A N Dosari

EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY BY RAIL ON 9th & 10th April, 1911.

By	Bars.	Ounces.
G. I. P. Railway ...	69	81,293
B. B. & C. I. Railway	86	101,459

FINANCIAL.

EXCHANGE :—

The market opened steady at 1s. 4 1-16d. T. T., 1s. 4 3-32d. Demand and 1s. 4 1-4d. for three months' sight credits. There is little enquiry for Bank remittance, and Private bills are scarce. Far Eastern rates are steady.

We quote :—

T. T. on London	...1s. 4 1-16d.
Demand Draft	...1s. 4 3-32d.
Credits 3 months' sight	...1s. 4 1-4d.
Do. do forward	...1s. 4 5.32d. June
Do. do France	...171 1-4
Do. do Marks	...139
Hongkong 60 days' sight	...132 1-4
Shanghai "	...177 1-4
Japan "	...149 3-4

GOVERNMENT PAPER :—

The market opened at 96 1-8 for cash and 96 3-16 for the settlement, and has remained steady during the day, closing at the same prices.

We quote :—

Cash	...Rs.	96	2	0
Settlement ...	... "	96	3	0

BULLION :—

The London market closed unchanged yesterday at 24 1-2 for ready and 24 5-8 for delivery in two months. New York was unchanged at 53 1-8. The local market opened steady at 62 1-16 for ready and there has been no change during the day. Bar gold is steady.

We quote :—

English Bar Gold ...	Rs.	24	0	0
Australian " ...	"	24	0	0
Sovereigns " ...	"	15	0	0
Silver Ready ex-duty ...	"	62	1	0
" 1st settlement ...	"	62	3	0
" 2nd " ...	"	62	7	0

COTTON.

MARKET REPORT :—

The continued advance in the home markets caused a steadier feeling locally on opening this morning, and prices for contracts were quoted about Rs. 2 higher all round. There has been a good enquiry for fine Broach, and sellers being scarce prices have advanced further during the day. Closing quotations are as under, the market being firm.

The enquiry for ready cotton by exporters has fallen off, and little business has been put through to-day Mills were buying moderately Prices are steady.

QUOTATIONS :—

OLD CROP.

Fine M G Broach ...	Rs. 351-52	April
Do do do ...	" 350	May
Do do Khandesh...	" 308	do
F G do do ...	" 296	do
Fine do Khamgaon-Akola...	" 321	do
Do do Bengals ...	" 307-8	do
Good Saw Ginned Dharwar...	" 350	do
Do H C Westerns ...	" 339	do
Do M G do ...	" 345	do

NEW CROP.

Good M G Broach ...	Rs. 307-8	March
Fully Good H G Bengals ...	" 244·5	January
Fine M G Bengal ...	" 270	"

LIVERPOOL OPENER :—

Opening Tone ...	...Steady.
Estimated Sales ...	12,000 bales
Total Imports ...	13,000 "

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

Apl.-May.	May-June.	June-July	July-Aug.
7·68 +03	7·68 +03	7·64 +01	7·59 +01

Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.
7·35 +03	7·02 +03	6·88 +03	6·83 +03	6·82 +03

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED :—The market has fluctuated and closes firm as under.

We quote :—

Ready ...	Rs. 11 14	0 B. T.
April-May ...	" 12 9	0 R. T.

RAPESEED :—The market is steady. We Quote :—

Brown Delhi April-May...	Rs. 6 14	6 R. T.
Yellow Guzerat ...	" 7 12	0 B. T.

GINGELLYSEED :—The market is quiet.

We quote :—

Bold White 85 p.c. ...	Rs.	51	8	0
Mimbara ...	"	53	0	0
Yellow Hinganghat ...	"	55	0	0
Red Jubbulpore ...	"	49	0	0
Black Kutni ...	"	44	0	0

POPPYSEED :—The market is quiet but steady.

We Quote :—

Ready	... Rs. 10 1	0 B. T.
April-May	... Rs. 10 12	0 R. T.

CASTORSEED :—Market quiet. We Quote :—

Ready	... Rs. 34 0 0
Forward	... Rs. 7 0 0 R.T.

COTTONSEED :—Market quiet. We Quote :—

Ready ... Rs. 23 0 0 to 24 0 0

GROUNDNUTS :—Market quiet but steady.

We Quote :—

Bold	... Rs. 43 0 0
Small	... Rs. 41 8 0

WHEAT :—The market is quiet.

We Quote :—

White Delhi Apl.-May Rs. 4 11 0 R. T.

SHARES.

BANKS.

Bank of Bombay ...	1,615
Bank of India ...	64
Eastern Bank ...	77
Indian Specie ...	60 3-4

MILLS.

David ...	367 1-2
Kohinoor ...	635
Manockji Petit ...	2,635
New Great Eastern ...	162 1-2 C D
Standard ...	885
Khattau Makanji Mill ...	715
Sassoon Cotton Mill ...	835 C D

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay E. S. & T. C. Ordinary ...	129
Bombay E. S. & T. C. Preference...	170
Bombay Steam Navigation Ord. ...	280
Colaba Land and Mill ...	1,090
Shivrajpur Mining Syndicate ...	16 1-4
Treacher and Co. ...	517 1-2

RAILWAYS.

Tapti-Valley ...	475
Ahmedabad-Prantej ...	615
Amritsar-Patti New Shares ...	577 1-2

2 DAYS' RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Produce into Bombay during the 48 hours ended at 6 p.m., on Monday :—

Cotton ...	15,149	bales.
Wheat ...	12,920	cwts.
Linseed ...	72,949	"
Rapeseed ...	16,827	"
Gingellyseed ...	2,450	"
Poppyseed ...	3,545	"
Groundnuts...	2,297	"
Castorseed ...	17,944	"
Rice ...	9,341	"
Myrobollams...	5,573	"
Cottonseed ...	18,975	"
Mowraseed ...	5	"
Gram ...	3,282	"
Joowar ...	1,705	"
Maize ...	2,999	"

DAILY EXPORTS—APRIL 11.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Circassia s—45 bales wool, H K M Jaitha; 30 bales wool, W and A Graham and Co; 150 bales hemp, Chaturbhuj Peraj and Co; 220 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 20 bales wool, D Sassoon and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Circassia s—7 bales wool, S B & A B Bussans; 397 cwts linseed, John Fachiri; 500 cwts rapeseed, Ralli Bros; 150 cwts gum, M Jafferbhoy.

Dumbea s—376 cwts teelseed, 1,000 cwts wheat, Ralli Bros.

FOR GLASGOW.

Circassia s—10 bales cotton, Greaves Cotton and Co; 37 cwts mussoor dall D Stratten and Co; 21 tons stones in shoots, 7 tons nulls of hogswade 7 tons iron hoops, Spinner and Co.

FOR MANCHESTER.

Circassia s—75 bales cotton, Greaves Cotton and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Chanda s—1,000 tons manganese ore, The Central Indian Mining and Co; 2,000 tons manganese ore, The Shivrajpur Syndicate; 402 cwts mustardseed, M Champsey; 330 bales cotton, J A Begbie and Co; 110 bales cotton, P Vishram and Co; 550 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 770 bales cotton, E Spinner and Co; 154 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 65 bales hemp, C Peraj and Co.

Finay Lodge s—2,002 cwts linseed, E D Sassoon and Co.

Bodle well s—2,500 cwts linseed, K Devchand and Co.

Cecil s—4,000 cwts linseed, Louis Dreyfus and Co.

FOR HAMBURG.

Armenia s—300 cwts gum, R Damji and Co; 2,200 cwt oil cake, Glade and Co; 420 bales cotton P Vishram and Co; 330 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co.

Wertenfels s—8,000 cwts bone meal, E C Nanji and Co.

FOR ROTTERDAM.

Armenia s—30 casks goat skins, Enrico N Stein and Co.

FOR BREMEN.

Armenia s—110 bales cotton, P Vishram and Co.

FOR GENOA.

R Rubattino s—250 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR NAPLES.

R Rubattino s—100 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co.

FOR HULL.

Araidin Christine s—18,013 cwts cottonseed, W Becher and Co; 3,000 cwts castorseed, K Devchand and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Blakemoor s—2,000 tons manganese ore, R A Willis

Haigh Hall s—11 bales cotton, K Rajaram and Co.

FOR BARCELONA.

R Rubattino s—200 bales cotton, the Bombay Company.

Dumbea s—50 bales hemp, Kiddle Reeve and Co.

Circassia s—330 bales cotton, M Jethabhoy and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Praga s—117 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 51 bales cotton, the Swadeshi Mills and Co; 1 bale woollen carpets, S J Tellery and Co.

Gerania s—385 bales cotton, A Blascheck and Co.

FOR FIUME.

Praga s—220 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR VENICE.

Gerania s—55 bales cotton, E Spinner and Co; 100 bales cotton and 3,000 cwts castorseed, Ralli Bros; 100 bales cotton, M Jethabhoy and Co; 300 bales cotton, the Bombay Company; 200 bales cotton, A Blascheck and Co.

Praga s—4 bales cotton, J A Begbie and Co.

FOR MOSTYN DEEP.

Countess Warwick s—2,250 tons manganese ore Turner Morrison and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Capri s—500 bales twist, C Ebrahim and Co; 100 bales cotton, Framjee Sons and Co; 500 bales twist, Sassoon J David and Co.

Delta s—39 chests opium, Sandman Bhawsy.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Delta s—6 chests opium, Tata Sons and Co.

DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. "Delta" April 12.

The P. and O. Co's steamer "Delta," Captain E. P. Martin, R.N.R., sails to day for Colombo, Penang, Singapore, Hongkong and and Shanghai with the following passengers :—

FROM BOMBAY.

Adam, Mr and Mrs J and infant
Alexander, Mrs
Allardyce, Capt J A
Brown, Mr P L C
Bull, Capt
Byrne, Miss
Byrne, Mr and Mrs L C
Byrne, Mr (Jr)
Campbell, Mr H
Carr, Capt M R
Clegg, Capt H N
Cotgrave, Col F C B
Cowie, Mrs
Crawford, Hon Mr H L and Mrs
Elliott, Mr Wm
Faviell, Mrs and infant
Furukawa, Mr S
Gamble, D S O Lt Col R W
Gamble, Mrs
Gove, Mr and Mrs J
Gove, Miss
Green, Mrs P
Gutmann, Mr and Mrs D J
Haas, Mr E
Harns, Mrs F
Hogg, Capt C C H
Humphry, Major Mrs and infant
Johson, M'ss E J
Keary, Brig Genl H d'U
Lakdawala, Mr C N
Lankershim, Col J B
Lindberg, Mr and Mrs F W 2 children and infant
Lowry, Mr R G
MacDonald, Mrs
MacDonald, Mr F C
Montolan, Mr L A
Namazee, Mr and Mrs
Ogilvie, Mr D A
O'Shaughnessy, Miss
Passe, Mr
Passe, 2 Misses and child
Pfeifer, Mr F
Rampizzatti, Miss
Rees, Capt F G
Reeve, Miss E A
Ringrove, Mr J
Stewart, Mr
Walker, Lt J C

FROM COLOMBO.

Aires, Mrs and infant
Allan, Dr J S
Armstrong, Mr G H
Bell, Mr and Mrs W H and 2 children
Bobrick, Mr W
Brett, Mr A T
Brown, Mr A
Brown, Mr J
Cairns, Mr R H
Carnachan, Mr
Clarke, Mr G C
Crooke, Mr H A
Filbey, Mr F W
Folds, Mr J
Forster, Mr W C
Giddings, Mr C
Harris Eng, Comd H W
Harris, Mrs 2 children and maid
Hob, Mr L G
Hutchinson, Mr and Mrs D C and infant
James, Mr E O
Keigan, Mr C A
Kent, Mr G R
Kent, Mr H H
LeCable, Mme
LeCable, Mons E
LeCable, Mons Robert
LeCable, Mons Raoul
LeCable, Mlle Yoonne
Linton, Mr and Mrs A R
Maclennan, Mr D G
Marriott, Mr J M
Martin, Mr G R
M'Murdo, Mr G D
Morgan, Mr F C
Morris, Mr and Mrs H H
Munton, Mr M B
Ogilvie, Mr D A
Oliver, Mrs
Pearce, Mr H L
Pearson, Mr G
Pentycross, Mr F H
Porter, Mr P L
Rewell, Mr and Mrs F G
Richardson, Miss R
Rowe, Mr
Russell, Mr J
Torrance, Rev W
Turnbull, Mr G D B
Whitehouse, Mr H E

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR J. W. HAWES, V. D., COMMANDING.

Bombay, 12th April.

154. Arms Return of—Members in possession of Arms, and Accoutrements are requested to return them to Head Quarters as early as possible.

155. Strength.—The following members having joined are taken on the Strength of the Corps and posted as follows :—

No. 1365 Gunner W J Malone and No. 1366 Gunner V F Myatt No. 2 Sub-Division No. 2 Company.

156. Regtl. Committee Meeting.—A meeting of the Regimental Committee will be held at the B V A Club on Tuesday next 18th instant a 7 p.m.

E. P. CUDLIP, Capt. R. A.,
Adjt. B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY COL. R. W. L. DUNLOP, V. D.

Bombay, 12th April.

298. The Competition for the Divisional and Provincial Medal will take place at Ghat Kopar on Sunday the 23rd instant and the Ranges will be available for practice on 15th, 17th and 19th instant.

Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 6 a.m.

299. Arms—Members in possession of Arms and Accoutrements must return the same to Head-Quarters at once.

300. Meeting.—There will be a Sergeants' Mess Meeting at Head-Quarters on Friday, 14th instant at 7 p. m.

A. L. CARTWRIGHT, Capt.,
Adjt. B. V. R.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours, ending at 6 a. m. yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Plague. Deaths.	Total deaths from all causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade..........	3	2	10
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	10	6	23
C Market Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	9	7	28
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahalaxmi	6	2	11
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	18	12	33
F Parel, Sewree and Sion...	5	4	15
G Mahim and Worli	4	4	8
Harbour..........	0	0	0
Hospital	0	10	24
Total......	55	47	152
This day last year	28	27	128
Small-pox..........	9	4	0

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

The Charge for Announcement of Births, Marriages, Deaths and Memoriam Notices, which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as, for every additional line. Cash strictly in Advance.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGE.

BICKLEY-ROE—BLACK—April 4, at St Columba's Kirk, by the Revd W Scott, D D, Clement Ernest, second son of the late William Roe, Fremantle, W Australia, and of the Punjab Bank, to Bethia Jane, third daughter of the late Andrew Black and Mrs Black, of Ancrum, Roxburghshire.

DEATH.

ROWE—April 5, at Madras, Donald, the child of Mrs and Mr Rowe, aged 4 1-2 months.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

The Countess of Dufferin Fund, Annual General Meeting, Government House, 6 p.m.

Bombay European Relief Association, General Meetings, Killick Buildings, 6-15 and 6-30 p.m.

Bombay Standing Committee, 4-10 p.m.

Mill Company Meetings :—The Sassoon, 3 Forbes-street, 3-15 p.m. The Laxmi and the Vishnu, 3 Wallace-street, 3-30 p.m. and 3-45 p.m. respectively.

Excelsior Cinematograph, Novelty Theatre, three shows nightly, 7 to 8, 8-30 to 9-30 and 10 to 11, p.m. Great Attraction. "The Fall of Troy." A grand film based on Homer's Iliad.

Skating Rink : Practice Session, 8 to 9 a.m. Ladies' Session, 9 to 10 a.m., Evening Sessions, 6 to 8 p. m. Saturday nights, 9-30 to 11-30. p.m.

Maxim : "Sometimes the middleman thinks he is doing middling well if he makes ends meet."—N. O. Picayune.

ENGLISH MAILS.

ARRIVAL.

The P. and O. Company's s. s. "Mantua," with the English mails of the 31st ultimo, which left Aden, at 4 p.m., on Sunday, is expected to arrive in Bombay harbour, at 5 a. m., on Friday.

DEPARTURE.

The P. and O. Co.'s mail steamer "Salsette" will leave Bombay harbour on Saturday at 2-39 p.m.

New Attorneys.—Mr. Purshotamrai Tricumlal Mankad and Mr. Kekhusro Maneckji Surveyor are declared to have passed the Solicitors' examination held last month.

Men's Meeting.—Mr. A. H. S. Aston, the Chief Presidency Magistrate, will speak at the Song Service in the Central Y.M.C.A. Wodehouse Road, Fort on Sunday next at 9-15.

The Anjuman-i-Islam.—To meet his Excellency General Nazim Pasha, Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim, President of the Anjuman-i-Islam, Bombay, will be "At Home" at the Anjuman Hall, Hornby Road, on Wednesday (to-day) at 5-45 p. m.

Acworth Leper Asylum.—The Chairman, Acworth Leper Asylum, Matunga, acknowledges with thanks a donation of Rs. 100 from a Parsi gentleman in memory of the auspicious occasion of the marriage of his son.

Bombay Sanitary Association.—His Highness the Maharaja Gaikwar of Baroda has been pleased to give a donation of Rs. 1,500 to the Bombay Sanitary Association and has consented to become a Patron of the Institution.

Cutch Mandvi High School Fund.—The following further donation towards the above fund have been received :—From Sheth Vassanji Morarji and Sheth Lakhmidas Vassanji Rs. 1,000. Previously acknowledged Rs. 8,605.

Good Friday Sacred Concert.—In the Y. M. C. A. Hall, Wodehouse Road, Fort a Concert of Sacred Music will be given at 9-15 p.m., on Good Friday, at which the following will take part :—Mrs. Ben Hick, Signor Savini, Mr. B. C. Rasis, Miss Hartle, Captain Drummond, Mr. Edwin Gellett and Mr. Horace A. Dennis.

Postal Notices.—Mails for Natal, Cape Colony, Lourenco Marques and other places in South Africa, per extra s s. "Umzinto" via Tuticorin and Colombo, will be closed at the General Post Office at 7-30 p.m. this evening.—A mail for Egypt and Europe, consisting of letters and packets specially marked for transmission per Messageries Maritimes s. s. "Dumbea" will be made up at the Bombay General Post Office for despatch to destination at 8 a.m. to-morrow (Wednesday).—Letters, etc., for Aden and Berbera will also be despatched by this steamer.—Parcel mail for France closes at the New G. P. O. at 7 a.m. on the same day.

Band at the Victoria Gardens.—By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. H. P. Lane and Officers, the Band of the 96th Berar Infantry will play the following programme of music, at 6 p.m. this evening :—

March.........Petite Tonkinoise......Scotts & Christine
Selection ...The Yeoman of the Guard ....Godfrey
Waltz ....Gold and Silver ......Franz Lehar
Morceau ......Les Cloches De St Malo.W Rimmner
Selection ...Merry Widows ....Franz Lehar
Two step ...I'm afraid to come in the dark ....E Van Alstyne
Intermezzo ...Aboo Tabah..........T W Taiban
Serenade......Love in Idleness......Allan Macbeth

Band at the Bombay Gymkhana.—By kind permission of Lt.-Col. J. S. McNeill, V. D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Ry. Volunteers, will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, Bandmaster, commencing at 6 p.m. this evening :—

March..........Myrella la Jolie ....Berniauex
Overture..........Die Irrfahrtum's Gluck..Suppe
a Patrol ....Siamese ....Lincke
b Two Step ......Moonstruck ....Monckton
Grand Selection...Reminiscences of All Nations..........Godfrey
Valse ....Phryne ....Zulue a
Selection..........The Chocolate Soldier...Straus
Characte Piece ...The Uhlan's Call..........Eilenberg

Bomanjee Dinshaw Petit Parsi General Hospital.—The following contributions have been received towards the above named Hospital : Amount previously acknowledged Rs. 18,42,626-7-2 : Mr. Jamshedji Ardeshir Wadia (in memory of his late wife Bai Avabai), Rs. 10,000 ; Mr. Naoroji Bapuji Tachakra, Rs. 500 ; sent direct to the Trustees of the Parsi Punchayet a Parsi Mason, Rs. 100 ; Bai Ruttonbai Pirosha Chinoy, out of the moneys subscribed by her at the Oothamna ceremony of his mother the late Bai Goolbai, Rs. 26 ; Mr. Rustomji Bhicaji Mama, out of the monies subscribed from his mother's estate at the Oothamna ceremony of the late Bai Goolbai daughter of the late Mr. Cowasha Hormusji Mama and widow of the late Mr. Hormusjie Pestonji Mama, Rs. 15 ; a relative of the late Bai Soonabai Rustomji Umrigar in memory of the anniversary of the said Bai Soonabai (Roj 2, Maha 6) ; Rs. 5 ; in memory of the late Mr. Ardeshir from his father, Rs. 5 ; Mr. Nussurwanji Rustomji Vatcha, in memory of the late parents on the occasion of the rejoicings of the Silver Jubilee of the Ripon Music Club, Rs. 50 ; Mr. Bomanji Edulji Kashinath, in memory of his late son Jamshed for November and, December 1910, Rs. 50 ; in memory of my sister, Rs. 5 ; and Rs. 3 ; making a total of Rs. 18,53,385-7-2.

ENGINE DRIVER KILLED.

News was received in Poona on Monday of a fatal accident near Bhusaval to an European engine-driver named Samuel Holland on the G. I. P. Railway. It appears that the man was driving the Delhi Express into Bhusaval, and was looking out for his signals, when a train from the opposite direction came along with such force as to decapitate him. It is supposed that a wagon of the train which caused the accident must have had a door open. This is the most likely explanation as the fireman on the engine was seriously injured at the same time by a splinter striking him on the head.

THE ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE CO., LTD.

Annual General Meeting.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders and policyholders was held yesterday, at the Offices of the Company, Oriental Buildings, Mr. Gordhandas Khattau, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presiding.

The Chairman, moving the adoption of the report, said:—"Gentlemen,—I rise to move the adoption of the Consulting Actuary's valuation report for the triennial period ended 31st December 1909. The report has been circulated to you, so may be taken as read, I am sure the shareholders and policyholders must be very gratified at the manner in which our Consulting Actuary has been able to report upon their Company's position. The report speaks for itself but I desire, in a few words, to draw your particular attention to the indication of all-round prosperity and progress. In the first place as regards the funds, you will notice they continue to mount up rapidly ; for, during the last nine years the Company has, after paying claims and all other charges, saved 53·5 per cent. of the contributions of the assured, while the funds have been more than doubled in amount ; and during the period 1907 to 1909 the addition was the largest on record—over sixty-eight lakhs being added, which increases the ratio of savings to 55·1 per cent. The first thing that one desires in a life assurance company is a guarantee as to its stability, so I am sure the perusal of the report cannot, but bring conviction to the reader as to the "Oriental" being not merely financially sound but exceptionally strong, in the manner in which the funds are invested and in the way in which these investments have been valued by the Consulting Actuary, viz., at a rate well under their present market price.

Dr. Cowasji Hormusji seconded the motion, which was carried.

Mr. James Murdoch proposed that in accordance with No. 130 of the Company's Articles of Association the sum of Rs. 6,89,040 be carried from the said profits to the contingencies reserve fund, leaving Rs. 9,00,000 to be divided between the shareholders and the participating policyholders in the proportion of 1-10th to the shareholders and 9-10ths to the policyholders.

Mr. Robert Barlow seconded the proposition which was put to the meeting and carried.

The Hon'ble Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola proposed that the shareholders' 1-10th share of the profits, namely, Rs. 90,000 be appropriated for a dividend for the years 1910, 1911 and 1912 at the rate of 20 per cent per annum on the paid-up capital of the Company.

Dr. A. D. Mody seconded the proposition which was put to the meeting and carried.

Mr. S. E. Warden proposed that the policyholders' 9-10th share of the profits, namely, Rs.8,10,000 be increased to Rs.13,37,762 by the addition of Rs. 5,27,762 from the contingencies reserve fund to provide for payment of reversionary bonuses at the following rates to policies entitled to participate in the profits, namely :—A bonus at the rate of 3 3-4 per cent. on the original sum assured under whole life policies with premiums payable for the whole of life or for a limited number of years if effected prior to 1907 and in force for the whole of last triennium for the full sum assured.

A bonus at the rate of 1 1-4 per cent on the sum assured for each year's premium paid in 1907-1908 and 1909 under whole life policies effected in that triennium and now in force for the full sum.

Bonus on endowment assurance policies to be similarly allowed at 80 per cent of the above rates.

Mr. Meherali Master seconded the proposition which was carried.

ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

The thirty-sixth annual ordinary general meeting of the shareholders and policyholders of the Company was held yesterday, at the offices of the Company, Mr Gordhandas Khattau presiding.

The Chairman, moving the adoption of the report, said :—"Gentlemen,—As I have addressed you at the extraordinary general meeting which has just been held, I do not intend to take up your time in making a long speech at this meeting but only desire to draw your attention to some points of interest in the report for the year 1910, which having been in your hands for some time, I presume we may take as read. It has been my privilege to preside at many annual meetings of the Company and on each occasion I have been able to speak of improved returns—of an increasing new business—of a steady augmentation of the funds—of claims well within what the Company anticipated—of low working expenses—and, in fact, to congratulate you upon the Company's steady progress and increasing financial stability. To-day, I am again in the pleasant position of drawing your attention to exceptionally satisfactory figures as the result of the year's operations. You will notice that the funds show an increase of over twenty-five lakhs—which is the largest increase we have ever had in one year—and they amount to nearly 3 3-4 crores. You will be glad to hear that the funds have increased by 117 per cent. within the last 10 years. The second feature in connection with the year's work which I draw attention to, is the very satisfactory new business that has been written—polices for no less a sum than over ninety-three lakhs having been issued—a considerable increase over the figures of the preceding year. You will also be glad to know that the rate of interest which the Company is earning has been well maintained—considering how we are restricted in our investing powers, we have reason to congratulate ourselves upon this. As regards the investments, acting upon the Consulting Actuary's advice, (as I pointed out when addressing you at the extraordinary meeting) the directors have increased the investment reserved fund by a sum of Rs. 9,20,000, thus bringing this equalising fund to a sum of over twenty-one and a half lakhs. By this provision we believe we have ample to cover any depreciation which may arise in connection with our investments in the future and considering how the market price of Government Paper fluctuates the necessity for such provision is evident. It certainly places the Company above criticism when we can point to the fact that such ample provision has been made. As regard the claims which have arisen they call for no special comment, as our experience enables us to provide for same—but there is evidence of the care which has always been exercised in the selection of our business.

A SATISFACTORY FEATURE.

"There is another very satisfactory feature which I desire to remark upon—that is the great care given to controlling the Company's expenditure. I am glad to report that in spite of the large increase in new business, the initial cost of which is naturally a heavy charge, yet the expenses are considerably less than last year ; for, the expense ratios whether measured by the premium income or by the total income, show the considerable decrease of about one-third per cent. compared with the ratios of last year. This fact, combined with the other favourable points in the report to which I have referred is, I think, an unquestionable indication of the zealous care exercised in the Company's management. You will notice the directors' recommendation in the report that a sum of Rs. 30,000 should be carried to be pension fund for the staff and also that a gratuity be given to the widow of a deceased employee and I am sure these recommendations will meet with your approval—all the more willingly on account of the exceptionally satisfactory results of the year's work and in view of the Consulting Actuary's very favourable report which have been before you to-day. At last year's meeting a suggestion came from a policy-holder that further particulars under one or two heads might appear with advantage in the Company's report, but as the directors find that this Company's report gives more detail and information than is given by any other Life Assurance Company in its annual report, and as it is considered that the giving of the information asked would not be to the Company's best interest, the directors have decided that the further particulars should not appear in the report.

"In conclusion, I think you will allow that a more satisfactory annual report than that now under notice has never been before us, and I cannot do better than repeat the words of the Consulting Actuary who states that 'The Company's position is one of great financial strength. its business is skilfully, prudently and economically conducted ; the best interests of the policyholders are safeguarded ; its future prospects are highly satisfactory ; and on these grounds it may with confidence be recommended to all intending insurers.' I congratulate the shareholders and policyholders upon their Company's position, and confidently say that we may look forward to continued prosperity in the future.' You gentlemen, can do much to help the Manager and other officers in their arduous duties on behalf of the Company by recommending your friends to take out policies. We do not wish you merely to be interested when the report is under notice, we ask your help to increase the business throughout the year. I remind you how the "Oriental" was the Company which led the way for reasonable rates of premium for assurance in India, so as the pioneer Indian Life Assurance Company and with its splendid record of success the Company is deserving of all support. I have great pleasure in moving that the directors' report and audited accounts for the year 1910 be adopted."

The Hon'ble Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola seconded the proposition, which was carried.

A dividend of Rs. 20 per cent per annum to the shareholders for the year 1910 was declared.

Dr. Cowasji Hormusji and Mr. James Murdoch were re-elected directors.

Mr. Bapuji Pestonji Wadia, policyholders' auditor, and Mr. Shapurji Bomanji Billimoria, shareholders' auditor, were re-elected.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the proceedings.

EMPIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Empire of India Life Insurance Company was held yesterday afternoon, at the Company's offices, Mr. Chhabildass Lalloobhai presiding.

The chairman, in moving the adoption of the report, said : In the report and accounts which are presented to this meeting, you will once again see a record of that continuous prosperity which has been the history of this Company from its commencement. The past year was one of the most successful in our experience and I congratulate you on the excellent results obtained. The various matters are dealt with in our report in the usual clear and detailed manner, to which you are accustomed, and I will only briefly refer to a few of the important points. You will notice that life policies were issued for over Rs. 55 lakhs, that is for Rs. 5 lakhs more than in the previous year. Our income increased to Rs. 15 lakhs and our funds now amount to Rs. 47 lakhs. On the other side of the account it is equally satisfactory to note that both our claims and expenses continue to be most moderate, in fact, considerably less was paid in claims and our ratio of expenses was as much as 1 1-2 per cent. less than in the previous year. A resolution will be brought forward at to-day's meeting to cancel the unissued shares on the ground that the present amount of paid-up capital is sufficient. Considering the extent of our funds derived from the accummulation of premiums and the security thereby given to the assured, the amount of our paid-up capital which has been purposely kept at a low figure, is practically of no importance so far as the assured are concerned. As our funds alone afford sufficient security for our policyholders, it is better to cancel the shares which have not been issued. We, therefore recommend the resolution for your acceptance.

A few years ago at our annual meeting I referred to the need in India of an Assurance Act, but I am sorry to observe that Government have not yet brought forward their long-promised measure to safeguard the interests of policyholders. A new Act has recently come into force in England, so we may reasonably expect a similar Act here. In the working of this Company we practically follow the provisions of the English Act and we should welcome its extension to this country. I will only now remind our shareholders as I did our policyholders at their meeting last week, that our next valuation will be as at the end of February next, and that all policies effected before then will be entitled to share in the profits of the current quinquennium.

A dividend of 21 1-4 per cent. per share and a bonus of 3 3-4 per cent, making the total distribution of 25 per cent. was then declared.

The following resolution was then unanimously adopted.

That the capital of the Company be reduced from rupees ten lakhs divided into 2,000 shares of Rs. 500 each to rupees five lakhs fifteen thousand divided into 1,030 shares of Rs. 500 each by cancelling 970. shares of Rs. 500 each which have not been issued.

Mr Chhabildass Lalloobhai was then re-elected a director and the firm of Messrs. Cornforth and Mistry re-appointed auditors.

A vote of thanks to the medical advisers, to the chairman and directors of the Company, to the managers and office staff and to the chairman of the meeting terminated the proceedings.

THE WEATHER.

[By telegraph.]

SIMLA, April 11.

No rain has been reported, except a few falls in South Madras and at Myitkina. The temperature has risen in the extreme north, but is still generally below normal, except in the southern half of the Peninsula. The forecast shows a few falls in Eastern Bengal, Assam and South Madras.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 11th APRIL.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Tuesday, the 11th April, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear but light cloud has appeared in the extreme north. Humidity is either equal to or below the average. Temperature is normal except for a defect during day at Delhi and during night at Sirsa.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. The moisture in the air is in defect at Cawnpore and normal over the rest of the division. Temperature during day has commenced to rise but is still below the average in some places; night temperature continues slightly lower than usual.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear. The air contains the usual amount of moisture. Temperature is generally above the average, but the maximum is in defect at Karachi.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. The air is damper than usual. Day temperature is below normal in Cutch, Kathiawar and north Central India West; night temperature also continues low at Bhavnagar Para.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. The air is drier than usual. Maximum temperature is nearly normal; the minimum is in defect at most places.

The Konkan.—Skies are lightly to moderately clouded at most places. Humidity is normal. Temperature is slightly below the average both during day and at night.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear. Humidity is considerably below the average. Temperature during day is in defect at Aurangabad; night temperature is also low in the north Bombay Deccan.

General Remarks.—The low pressure area in the Bay of Bengal has approached the Coromandel Coast and now affects the Madras, Deccan and Mysore. Cloud has increased and skies are heavily clouded in Ceylon and on the south Malabar Coast and moderately clouded in the south of the Peninsula. Light precipitation is reported from Cuddapah; the sea is still rough at Colombo and slight at Madras. The barometric pressure on the West Coast has commenced to fall and it may happen that the disturbance on the Coromandel Coast may move further inland and cross the Peninsula close to the south Konkan Coast. Conditions are still slightly unsettled in the Punjab and the adjacent parts of Sind and Rajputana.

Weather to the south of latitude 16° N. is likely to remain unsettled.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The reading of the barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32° F. and for Calcutta standard at 8 a. m. (local time) on the 11th April, was 29·866 inches. The height of Observatory barometer cistern above zero of the tide gauge at Apollo Bunder is 47 feet. The height of tide in the stream above zero of the tide gauge was 12 feet at 8 a. m, (local time). The temperature correction for a mercurial barometer, supposing the reading to be 30·00 inches and that of the attached thermometer 80deg. F. will be 14inch and this will be higher and lower by ·01 inch for each 4 degrees. In the case of the aneroid no temperature correction is required. Should the height of barometer cistern, either mercurial or aneroid above zero of tide gauge be different from feet, it will read higher or lower by ·01 inch for each 11 feet. The readings above are distinct in from these given in the daily weather report, to which different corrections have been applied.

H. A. ARMSTRONG,
Meteorologist, Bombay.

'CUTICURA OINTMENT A SKIN-HEALER'

Writes One Skin-Sufferer. 'I Wish to Bear Testimony to the Wonders of Cuticura Remedies,' says Another. Had Tried All Kinds of Remedies, but to No Purpose. Cuticura Remedies Cured Them.

"I had been a sufferer from dry eczema on my hands for four or five years. They used to crack and bleed and were very sore. [illegible] much. I [illegible] Cuticura Ointment cured it. I now use the Soap regularly and the Ointment for other purposes when required, as I think it is a splendid skin-healer." (Signed) Mrs. J. W. Pickstone, 262, Stand Lane, Chapelfield, Radcliffe, Lancs., Eng., Nov. 1, 1909.

"I wish to bear testimony to the wonders of Cuticura Remedies. I had an attack of eczema on the back of my right hand which lasted three years. It came in the form of small blisters which would weep for a few days, and then dry up and peel off. After this, the blisters would again appear. I have given nearly every ointment, pill and soap a trial, but to no purpose. When I saw the advertisement for Cuticura Remedies I decided to give them a trial. I got a little Cuticura Ointment, and with another box I purchased (half of which I used) cured it." (Signed) Fred Bede, 14, Farm Rd., Sparkbrook, Birmingham, Eng., Jan. 24, 1910.

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Read the following evidence:—

Mr. C. S. REDDI, Chittoor, writes :—Your bottle of Prof. James' E. T. Pearls, I call them gems : they did me immense good so please send another big bottle by V. P. P.

Mr. FELIX D. COELHO, Bela Vista, Calicut, writes:—I am glad to inform you that your famous Prof. James' E. T. Pearls proved a boon in my case. They are Pearls as you call them and not pills. Please send another two bottles by V. P. P.

S. Sgt. J. ELDER, S. T. C., Nowshera, Punjab writes :—That the Pearls are giving excellent result Please send another four bottles as early as possible

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	Scindia	Kelso	Liverpool, Mar17
	Gerania	Pesuh	Trieste, Mar 11
	Lindula	Stockwell	Moulmein, Mar30
	Goalpara	Whytehead	Buschra, Mar 30

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Wednesday, 12th April, 1911.

MALCOLM ON INTERCOURSE WITH INDIANS.

THE Madras Government did well to re-issue the other day Sir John Malcolm's short but famous "Notes of Instructions to the Assistants" as an appendix to an important memorandum on the social and official intercourse between British officials and the people of this country. The subject is of very great importance, especially nowadays when fault has been found by competent Indian observers and also others with the aloofness of officials and the consequent want of touch between them and the people. It has engaged the attention of several high officials at various times in the history of our connection with India, and some of them have written very wisely concerning it. But none has written more wisely or sympathetically—for at bottom it is a question of sympathy between the two races—than Malcolm in this well-known document in which he embodied all his varied and intimate experience of Indians gained during a life-time in their country. It was composed just ninety years ago, when that distinguished Anglo-Indian was on the eve of retirement after thirty-eight years' service which had thrown him into the closest contact with the peoples of India, from the highest ruling princes including the Peishwa down to peasants and pindaris and wild tribes of the forests and hills. His object in writing this memorable paper was to leave in the hands of his assistants and other officials employed in carrying on his work in Malwa and Central India, a body of rules and instructions which should guide them in their everyday intercourse with the people which he impressed more upon their mind they should have.

The several principles which he had successfully adopted, he wished to be preserved by those who came after him, and he bequeathed this paper as a sort of legacy to one of his pupils. General Briggs well says he owed his great success to his large-hearted sympathy and above all to his personal accessibility to all. "I wish I had you here for a week," he writes to an intimate friend about his method of living and working in Central India, "to show you my nawabs, rajahs, Bhil chiefs, patels and ryots. My room is a thoroughfare from morning to night. No munshis, divans, dubashes, or even chobdars, but char darwaza khola—four doors open—that the inhabitants of these countries may learn what our principles are at the fountain head. "Char darwaza khola," that is what most appeals to the poor natives of this country who are accustomed to be oppressed by intermediate agents and who never are given an opportunity of seeing their rulers and venting their grievances pesonally to them. There are some drawbacks of course to this great accessibility; but Malcolm in his "Instructions" well provides for them.

The great wisdom of these instructions is evident from even a hurried perusal. What for instance can be better than this single sentence ? "I am quite satisfied in my own mind that if there is one cause more than another that will impede our progress to the general improvement of India, it is a belief formed by its population from the manner of their English superiors that they are viewed by them as an inferior and degraded race ; but, on the contrary, if the persons employed in every branch of administration of this great country, while their conduct marks those rigid principles of virtue and justice under the check of which they all comport themselves towards the people, whom it is their duty to make happy, while that sincere humility of hears which always belongs to real knowledge, and which attaches while it elevates, they will contribute by such manner more than any measure of boasted wisdom ever can to the strength and duration of their Government." In former years this work of Malcolm was better known and appreciated. Within ten years it inspired Briggs to write a larger work in the form of letters on the same subject of intercouse with Indians on the same lines, replete with the same sympathy and shrewd wisdom. Briggs' book of 1828 ought to be reprinted now by the side of Malcolm's as it also is potential for good. As Kaye, the biographer of Malcolm, says, neither the progress of time nor the imitations of circumstances can render such works antiquated or irrelevant. Malcolm's little work ought to be made a text-book for Civilians who come out to India, and all Anglo-Indians would do well to be intimately acquainted with it and to be guided by it in their life here. It deserves much wider publicity at the present juncture than the Madras Government has given it in its memorandum. and it is to be hoped that some one will publish it in a popular form and along with it also portions at least of Briggs' book. Malcolm and Briggs would, to a great extent, remove one recognised cause of the unrest of which we hear so much.

SIR ALFRED LYALL.

THE announcement of the death of Sir Alfred Lyall must have come as a shock to all, for, though in his seventy-sixth year, he was hale and hearty and active till the last. It was only the other day that we read his able introduction to Mr. Chirol's book on the present unrest; and he had one or two of his writings in the press to be issued soon. But in a sense the close is appropriate, for it came at Freshwater, the lovely villa in the Isle of Wight of the poet Tennyson who was his familiar friend and on whom he wrote a delightful monograph. He distinguished himself in many fields, and alike as a diplomatist, an administrator, a thinker, a writer, and a poet he had achieved a name almost unique among his contemporaries. He began his career fifty-five years ago in the Bengal Civil Service, and the Mutiny soon after breaking out, he had an opportunity, which never recurred, of showing his bravery in the field. He belonged to the volunteer corps organised at Meerut by Whish and others, which afterwards became famous as the Khaki Risala, from the dust-coloured uniform not then so common as in later days, worn by its members; and, as Malleson says, he particularly distinguished himself for his coolness in danger and his courage in the field. Then he served for some time in the Central Provinces under the late Sir Richard Temple and for several years took charge of Berar and signalised his tenure by preparing a gazetteer of the latter province which is still the model of what such a work should be. In that Gazetteer he first showed his aptitude for a study of the religions and customs of the country, which he developed and popularised by a series of essays continued almost to the last. For nearly ten years after leaving Berar, he was at headquarters, serving as Home Secretary and then as Foreign Secretary to the Government of India till 1882, when he obtained the Lieutenant-Governorship of the United Provinces, where he had begun his career as a civilian. The Foreign Secretaryship fell during the eventful times of the second Afghan War and he twice accompanied Lord Roberts to Kabul on political duty. For his diplomatic work in this war he got the Knighthood of the Bath, a very rare honour for Anglo-Indian civilians. At the end of 1887 he retired from India when only fifty-two and was soon after appointed to the Secretary of State's Council of India on the death of Sir Henry Maine.

The mantle of Maine had indeed fallen on him in several respects and during the last twenty years and more he continued the work begun by that philosophical thinker of applying European science and observation to ancient Indian institutions and customs. Even during the lifetime of Maine, whose eight years in India almost coincided with his own earlier time as a provincial administrator and whose example doubtless influenced him, he had published a striking volume of "Asiatic Studies" in Maine's spirit and method, which at once marked him out as a philosophical writer of great acumen and originality among Anglo-Indians. This reputation has been considerably enhanced by a second series of these "Asiatic Studies" in which are published his very noteworthy lucubrations under the pseudonym of "Vamdev Shastri." In these latter he viewed modern western science and progress from the standpoint of an Indian pundit of the old school, who has to assimilate all that is best in the new and to interpret the West to the East. His Ride Lecture delivered at Cambridge in 1891 on natural religion in India, which forms one of the studies of this second volume, is well worthy to rank by the side of Maine's own earlier lecture on the same foundation on the European observation of India. But it was not the realm of such speculative studies relating to religion and institutions that he confined himself. He naturally took a keen interest in the history of the English in India, and wrote several books connected with it. He gave a lucid and masterly bird's-eye view of the British dominion in India which is unsurpassed for literary ability and the philosophical acumen with which he traces cause and effect. This book probably represents Sir Alfred Lyall at his best and is deservedly very popular. His monograph on Warren Hastings was also written with the same ability, but is somewhat singular on account of the adverse view that he took of that much maligned ruler's career in India. But this much is to be said for him that at the time he wrote it the new light that has since been thrown on Hastings' rule from the State papers was not available. Of Lord Dufferin, under whom he was Lieutenant-Governor, he wrote a very good biography some years after that brilliant Viceroy's death, from his own papers. Sir Alfred was distinguished also as a graceful poet of Anglo-Indian life and his little volume of "Verses written in India" has passed through several editions. As a critic of poetry he excelled also, as witness his well known book on Tennyson in Lord Morley's English Men of Letters series," one of the very best volumes of which contains some famous critical monographs. He was from his early years a steady and valuable contributor to the "Edinburgh Review" whose former well known editor, Henry Reeve, was his close friend. His articles, though unsigned, as is still the wont in the famous periodical, always attracted attention from their felicity of literary expression and the deep thought and wide observation showed in them. Even its latest number issued a few weeks ago contains a brilliant contribution by him. Altogether the loss to contemporary literature and thought by Sir Alfred Lyall's death is heavy.

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A REMARKABLE MILITARY "CREATION."

THE first "creation" of the "Army milliner's" season, which was abandoned the moment it was born, was somewhat remarkable for its clash in colours, if it is correctly described in the Special Army Order, which just reaches us, announcing that inspired individual's preliminary efforts, for the Coronation year. It seems to have been something rather unique, and the published description of the sealed pattern must leave many in some doubt of what it intended, as well as an impression that the "milliner" must have been at high pressure with little time to devote to such details, as, for instance, a distinction between crimson and scarlet. The article in question was to be an addition to the infantry officer's uniform in shape of a sash of "gold and crimson net." The pattern was simple, in three rows, the two outer of gold and in the third we might be expected it to be crimson, but the order lay down scarlet, so where the crimson comes in, except in the name of the sash, we fail to discover. A short time since we predicted the announcement of some new "creations" from this department of army administration, but we were not quite prepared for this. It was also notified that the old crimson sash would be retained for wear with the frock-coat in undress, and that the new sash would not be worn by officers on the Unattached List for the Indian Army. The reason for this is not clear, as infantry officers of the Indian Army do not wear the frock-coat, so the crimson sash would have been of no use except to those on the Unattached List during their first year in India. The new sash was to be brought out for the Coronation. It is not long since it was abolished and most improperly so too. As was pointed out at the time, it lasted an officer throughout his service and so the initial expense of providing it was all he was called upon to bear. The present would appear to be a favourable time, before the Coronation, for infantry officers serving with red-coated regiments of the Indian Army to move the authorities to take steps to abolish the present incongruity of brown gloves and belts worn with gold-laced coats. When King George was in this country he condemned in no measured terms the wearing of khaki helmets by British troops in full dress, the result being an immediate return to the white helmet. It is well known that the full dress garb of the Indian infantry officer, who has been present in the many military processions, which have of late years taken place in London, has been very unfavourably commented upon by the public at Home. In fact, it is reported that many officers have refrained from attending Levees on account of the incongruity and lack of smartness of the garb they are forced to wear. On the other hand, the gorgeous splendour of gold lace, oriental in its magnificence, with which the officers of the Indian cavalry are bedizened, never fails to call forth the plaudits of a London audience. It is a matter which requires the attention of the military authorities. It should be remembered that British officers never murmur however much they may feel.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s. s "Marmora" arrived at Suez from Bombay, on the morning of the 9th inst.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s. s. "India" arrived at Suez from Colombo, on the evening of the 8th instant.

SPOHR'S "Last Judgment" is to be performed in the Cathedral this (Wednesday) evening, at 6-30.

THE output of the British Ordnance factories for the year was £2,537,035, showing a decrease of £41,911.

THE latest and largest British battleship, the "Conqueror," building in the yard of Messrs. Beardmore and Company, Glasgow, is to be launched in the first week of May.

FOUR hundred of the cases treated at the London Hospital last year were due to the building of the Dreadnought "Thunderer," it was stated at a governors' meeting.

THE proclamation of Coronation Day, June 22, as a Bank Holiday in the United Kingdom and of June 23, the day of the Royal progress, as a Bank Holiday in the County of London was made in mail week.

THE Social Democratic Party has offered through its organ, the "Vorwaerts," a reward of £100 for the discovery of the two policemen who, during the Moabit riots on September 27 last, wounded with their sabres and otherwise ill-treated so severely the workman Hermann that he died in consequence.

A JAPANESE Socialist, named Torayasu Kofku, has been arrested at Tsu, a city in the province of Ise, on a charge of concealing explosives in his residence, and fears are entertained that another grave plot is involved. The accused declared he purchased the explosives from a soldier belonging to an engineering corps in the Nagasaki district.

THE U. S. War Department has sent calls to all the Army recruiting stations for 6,000 to 7,000 recruits in order to bring the regiments mobilised in Texas and California up to their full strength. It is explained that apart from lack of recruits for the infantry during recent months, a number of enlistments will expire shortly, thus making the work more difficult.

THE Poetry Society will offer, on behalf of the Council of the Festival of Empire, a silver medal for the best poem commemorative of the Festival and the poetical and patriotic ideas illustrated by it. The competition is open to any British subject, and will close on May 24. No restrictions are imposed with regard to treatment or metre, but a catalogue of Imperial possessions is not required. In addition to the medal other premiums will be awarded, and the winning poem or poems will be used in connection with the Festival.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

WELSH ATHLETIC CHAMPIONS.

(FROM OUR SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)
LONDON, MARCH 24.

WALES took part in many International Football matches before attaining the present high standard on the "Rugger" and "Soccer" field. Much the same state of thing is going on in regard to cross-country running, and in spite of the fact that the Welsh team is badly beaten each year, Taffy still goes on supporting the international race. This is the right spirit and the man, club, or country who can take defeat without growing discouraged, is sure to attain success at some time.

Wales will be the scene of this season's international cross-country race, which promises to be more exciting than usual. Being at home, will give the Welshmen some small advantage, and judging by the result of the Welsh championship last Saturday, the home team will be a level one. Saturday's race ended in favour of E. Paul of Cumbran and the sixth man reached the winning post within 65 secs. of Paul, consequently the Welsh team will not have a long "tail".

GOOD RUNNERS.

England will have to take the field without F. S. Neave, the Southern champion and last year's National winner, who does not feet equal to running. This will even up matters considerably and make the race more open.

Ireland appears to have a good team, and in Sergt. O'Neill, and F. J. Rider possesses two splendid runners who will go near taking premier honours.

A. E. Wood, now a professional, only just beat O'Neill last year, the Irishman, subsequently winning the ten miles flat championship. France also had a chance for individual honours with two such fliers as J. Keyser and P. Bouin in the field. The latter has already run up for the international race and Keyser was second to Neave in the National of last year. England's best man is F. S. Hibbins, the new National champion, and the writer thinks he will prove equal to beating the field, in spite of his being new at the game.

PROFESSIONAL RUNNING.

Some of the best long-distance runners England and Ireland can produce at the present time toed the line in a professional Marathon race at Dublin a few days since. The event was decided at the Rotunda Skating Rink, twelve laps to the mile, so that the winner accomplished a real good performance under the circumstance. W. T. Clarke of England showed the way for about 18 miles, when P. White of Dublin challenged the winner and eventually won readily in 2 hours, 37 mins. 35 secs. not bad time for 26 miles 365 yards on a small track. Clarke finished the race in 2 hours, 38 mins. 22 secs. and then came J. W. Kitchener of England. C. W. Gardiner, who beat Dorando at the Albert Hall about 18 months ago, ran well for a time but gave up at 21 miles.

BOXING.

International boxing matches are quite the rage now, and it is surprising how much more interest the public take in bouts when the principals represent different nationalities. The event of the week was the Sid Burns vs. Ray Bronson, and the H. Duncan vs. J. Clabby matches at Olympia on Wednesday. Each was at twenty rounds, the first named match giving most sport. Burns was a better boxer than the American, but the visitor made up for this by his harder hitting. The Britisher scored many points with a straight left, the American devoting most of his attention to right swings to his rival's kidneys. Burns, however, took the punishment well and looked a winner on points when Bronson was disqualified in the nineteenth round for hitting low.

The other bout was far from satisfactory, the men resembling a pair of goats having a butting match for most of the time. Clabby showed no form to warrant one thinking he has any pretentions for middle-weight championship honours, and had Duncan displayed more enterprise, the Britisher would not have had so much the worst of it during two-thirds of the contest. Towards the end Duncan woke up and fought back, with the result that he did much better, though Clabby was quite entitled to the verdict.

AGGRESSIVENESS AND OTHERWISE.

A notable feature of the matches was the aggressiveness of the Americans and the lack of it in the Britishers. Invariably it was the visitors who did the attacking, whilst the home boxer was content to act on the defensive. The moral effect of being the aggressor is considerable, and our boxers must learn to recognise that the best defence is a good attack. The old game of boxing for points is all right for amateurs, but it does not pay when engaging in a serious international match. Our men are often nothing but "tappers" whilst the Americans hit as though they meant it, and this often leads to the defeat of the more scientific boxer.

BILLIARDS.

The outstanding event of the week in the billiard world was the wonderful unfinished break of 2,196 by George Gray. This he made at the rate of about 7 1-2 mins for each 100, and the chief characteristic of the break was the Australian's calmness. Whilst the company was cheering itself hoarse over the beating of the old record (1,576) and passing of the second thousand, Gray appeared quite unconcerned. He is a real marvel, and after he has had a few months' practice with ivory balls, he will probably show as much superiority over all our best as he has done with composite balls.

There has been a lot of talk about a match between Gray and Stevenson with ivory balls, and the "Englishman" says he is willing to play in May, but Gray names September as a suitable time to decide the question. It is hardly likely Gray will come straight off matches with Crystalate balls and tackle Stevenson with ivory. A way out of the difficulty would be for the rivals to contest half a match with ivory, and the other half with composite balls. Inman also wants to play Gray, and the latter says the Londoner can have two matches, one with ivory and one with composite balls. On form it does not look as though Stevenson or Inman stand even an outside chance against Gray, and the writer expects to see the youth conceding our best a third of the game before very much longer.

Inman managed to beat Stevenson in their heat of the Burroughs-Watts Tournament, though the scratch man took the lead on the afternoon of the final day. Inman would not be shaken off however, and by making a nice break near the finish, he ran out the winner by a little over 300 points.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

The Scottish Rugby men lived up to traditions in the match against England, and in spite of beatings by France, Wales and Ireland, managed to give their rivals a rael goog game for the famous Calcutta Cup at Twickenham on Saturday. It was the thirty-eighth match of the series and the victory (13 points to 8) of the home side broke the sequence of Scottish wins in England since 1897. The Scottish selectors made several changes from the side which met Ireland, and the alterations led to good. Scotland held her own forward, and also at half until Henderson hurt his shoulder and had to go full back. It was at three-quarters that the home side were superior to the Scots, the home players being always looking for opportunities to attack, but the Scottish "threes" stood in a straight line and were obviously on the defensive. England looked like winning by a good margin until time was nearly up, when a pass from Poulton to Birkett went wrong, the ball bouncing off the latter's shoulder to Simpson. The Scottish centre was off like a flash, and punting over the full backs head, regained possession and scored between the posts, a fine bit of play. It may be added that A. D. Gotley who captained the winning side, played splendidly, which must be satisfactory to him on the eve of his departure for Rhodesia.

THE TURF.

In the notes written on Feb. 3, appeared the following "It is early to offer an opinion, but writing before betting has opened, Mercutio looks good." Some of my readers may have profited by this and so have reason to remember the Lincolnshire with satisfaction. Placidus and Spanish Prince were also recommended, and it was hard duck that the former had his chance spoiltat the start, the horse getting away badly, so that punters never even had a fair run for their money. Still, it is all in the luck of the game and one must try to find out when the horse is next "on the job," for win he will. Still, as Mercutio won, and Spanish Prince (pointed out as a danger to Placidus and Mercutio) was third, there is no occasion to feel down-hearted.

The winner was splendidly ridden by Trigg, who nursed his mount nicely, whilst Brandimintine was out on his own and threatening to bring off a 66 t 1 chance. At the right moment, however, Trig called on his mount and the issue was soon settl Mercutio winning nicely by a length. Mr. C Hibbert, the owner of the winner, is a big book maker, and he is said to have won £20,000 over th race, as in addition to backing his own, he field against other horses, one of his bets being £14,00 to £2,000 against Spanish Prince.

THE GRAND NATIONAL.

Lutteur III, favourite for the Grand National easily won the Open Steeplechase at Hurst Park o Saturday. He gave his backers a fright, howeve as he misjudged one of the fences and pecked badl This threw Parfrement on to the horse's neck, b the jockey managed to push himself back into th saddle, Lutteur III finally winning nicely. Th mishap did not make any difference to the suppo of Lutteur for the National, indeed it was though it would make him careful and show greater respe for the Aintree fences. Judging from what ha pened in the big race to-day, it would appear though Lutteur III has lost his old ability as a sa jumper, for his chance was extinguished before h had gone more than half way by a fall. Th favourite was not alone in this, for only four of th 26 starters finished the course, strong proof of th trying nature of the Aintree country. Mr. F. Bibb ran both Caubeen and Glenside, the former bein the favourite of the two. In spite of Glenside bein on the sick list last week, he proved the best of th pair in the race and came in an easy winner b twenty lengths. It was hardly a popular win, th downfall of the favourites being disappointing.

IN GENERAL.

Flying Fox, for which M. Blanc gave 37,500 guineas on the death of the late Duke of Westminster, has just died at the Jardy stud. The hors won £40,096 during his two racing seasons, and after going to the stud, begat such fliers as Ajax, Adam, Jardy, and Val d'Or.

A German swimmer named Pentz has just set up a new world's back-stroke record of 2 min 50 3-5 secs. for 200 metres.

Cackler broke a bone in his fore-leg, whilst having a gallop at Sandown last Saturday, consequently Mr. Smith had to scratch his second string as well as Jerry M. from the Grand National, a hard piece of luck.

The success of Capt. A. C. C. Luther and Mr C. E. D. King against Capt. B. Macnaghten and Capt. C. E. Reynard in the Military Doubles Racquet Championship yesterday, entitles the Yorkshire Light Infantry pair to meet Major J. Puckle and Capt. A. Berger, Army Service Corps, in the Challenge Round.

GEORGE AND MARY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Your readers must have noticed two movements, or rather two different aspects of the same movement, initiated in England under very distinguished auspices a short time ago, to invite as many Georges and as many Maries of the British Empire as possible, in making suitable presentations to Their Majesties on the occasion of their forthcoming Coronation. I am not aware if any organised effort is being put forth to associate India also with the movement. In Lord Curzon's Committee, which has initiated the movement of the Georges, though other parts of the Empire are well represented and though India contained a George of much outstanding eminence in the person of H. E. Sir George Clarke, this country does not seem to have been taken into account except for the inclusion in it of the name of a former Secretary of State for India. Now seeing that my Christian name is Geevergese—Syriac form of George—and that by far the greatest proportion of Indian Christians are Syrian Christians residing in this part of South India—viz, in the native States of Travancore and Cochin, several of my friends urged me take the initiative in calling public attention to the desirability of putting forth some organised effort to enable India also two participate in the privilege. Accordingly, though with great diffidence, I would put forward the following tentative proposals to serve as a basis for discussion.

1. That H. E. Sir George Clarke be requested to put himself at the head of the movement.

2. That the heads of all Christian Churches and educational institutions in India, and others who are interested or who have any useful suggestions to offer, should express their views as to (a) whether such a step is desirable.

(b) If so, whether we in India should join the English movement, or reserve whatever funds we collect for a separate presentation when Their Majesties are crowned in India next December.

(c) And generally, how best the proposal can be given effect to.

If we join the English movement, there is this obvious advantage that even if we do not succeed in raising a substantial amount, it will not matter much. The inconvenience in adopting this course is that the time at our disposal seems quite insufficient to organise ourselves for the purpose. If the consensus of opinion is that we should make a separate Indian presentation, sufficient time may be allowed to discuss the matter further, and, with due deliberation, bring into existence a thoroughly representative committee which will undertake th task.

If, on the other hand, the majority of persons who express their views on the question should favour our joining the English movement, it is requested that the name of a suitable person to represent the Georges and of another person—a lady, of course,—to represent the Maries of India, may also be suggested. It will be the duty of these two persons to issue subscription forms, receive subscriptions and carry on all the routine business connected with the movement in their separate spheres. Till such a person is chosen in the light of the replies received, I am prepared, just to keep the matter going, to receive all letters and carry on the necessary correspondence. The Rev. Father P. T. Geevarghese M.A., Principal of the M.D. Seminary, Kottayam, has agreed to assist me in the matter of the Georges, and for the Maries Mrs. Mary Eapen, daughter of Mr. E. J. John, B. A., B. L., Ag. Principal of the Law College, Trivandrum, has kindly consented to do the same. Whoever undertakes the chief responsibility for India, should have an absolutely free hand to take any step he considers desirable for the success of the movement. If H. E. the Governor of Bombay agrees to identify himself with the movement, everything may be done under his Excellency's order.

As soon as any definite course is decided upon, the heads of all Churches or Institutions as the case may be, who are willing to co-operate in the task, will, it is hoped, proceed to take the necessary steps for bringing the matter to a speedy and satisfactory conclusion. I, therefore, request a general expression of views on this very important subject.—I have etc.,

MAR DIONYSIUS,
Metropolitan of Malabar.

Archh-episcopal Residence, Kottayam, S. India,
31 March.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

A MEETING of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay was held in the Trustees' Office, Esplanade, Road, yesterday afternoon, the Hon'ble Mr. J. P. Orr, I.C.S., Chairman of the Board, presiding.

Consideration was given to the Government resolution of the 4th instant, (already published in a previous issue) regarding financial assistance to the Trust.

The Chairman proposed the following resolution:—

"That the Board desire to tender their best thanks to the Government of India for their generous grant of fifty lakhs of rupees and to H. E. Sir George Clarke and the Government of Bombay for their good offices in urging the claims of the Board on the Government of India. (2) This grant combined with the financial relief which the proposed amendment of the City of Bombay Improvement Act will afford, puts the Trust in a position to extend their present programme considerably."

On the motion of the Hon'ble Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtulla, the following rider was added :—

"That the Chairman is requested to submit at an early date proposals for a wide road between the Crawford Markets and the Sandhurst Road and for the East Agripada Improvement Scheme."

The Chairman's proposition with the rider was agreed to.

At Sotheby's Rooms in mail week a letter, written by the late King, was sold for £6 16s. It was addressed to his sister, the Princess Royal, in 1851, when he was ten years of age. The letter concluded with the passage : "Give me an account of what butterflies you have caught to day."

A ROYAL VICEROY.

DISCUSSION BY EAST INDIA ASSOCIATION.

Suggested Separation of Functions.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 11.

At a meeting, yesterday, of the East India Association, Lord Ronaldshay presiding, Mr. Vyasa Rao delivered a lecture advocating the statutory creation of a Viceroyalty of India to be held by a member of the Royal Family, and the separation of the functions of the Viceroy and Governor-General in India. He said a country without a King was a body without a soul. India had a far greater need of the Duke of Connaught than Canada had. The Royal visit was an appropriate occasion for a change, which would introduce an era of growing attachment and trust, mutually benefiting England and India.

Lord Ronaldshay agreed regarding the appeal which Royalty made to the Eastern imagination, but when he recalled the recent controversy between the Governor-General and so humble a person as the Commander-in-Chief, he shuddered at the consequences of establishing two heads practically equal in status.

Sir J. D. Rees said that the separation of the functions was impossible. Moreover, there was no room for His Highness the Shadow, and His Excellency the Substance.

CROWN PRINCE'S TOUR.

German Press Comment.

BERLIN, April 11.

The semi-official *Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung*, in an article on the Crown Prince's return, heartily acknowledges the kind reception accorded to the Crown Prince in India, both by the authorities and private individuals.

The journal rejoices at the warm sympathy with which he was everywhere received, and the unanimously favourable impression created by His Imperial Highness' person and bearing. "Thus," the journal concludes, "the journey was a success for the Crown Prince and a gain for Germany."

THE ALBANIAN REVOLT.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 11.

The Government is still without news from Tusi. It is reported that the Mirdites are joining the rising, which is extending.

FIGHTING IN THE YEMEN.

Reported Turkish Reverses.

PERIM, April 11.

Natives from the interior state that a force of 1,800 Turks was annihilated by strategem at Yerim, on the 5th instant. They also say that Naderi was captured on March 30th, only fifteen men escaping out of three regiments. They declare that the Turks now only hold El Taig and Sanaa in the interior.

CANADA AND THE HOME COUNTRY.

A Nationalist Speech.

MONTREAL, April 11.

Mr. Bourassa, the Nationalist leader, speaking at the Canadian Club, claimed that any treaty framed should not be from an Imperial point of view but from the Canadian. Bourassa said that if they waited for John Bull to look after their interests they would have to wait a long time. If John Bull taught anything, continued the speaker, it was the lesson of self-government, self-reliance and self-will.

LONDON MOSQUE SCHEME.

LONDON, April 11.

The Shah of Persia has made a donation of £1,000 to the fund for the establishment of a Mahomedan Mosque in London. The Persian Prime Minister and the Minister for Foreign Affairs have joined the Committee.

LORD KITCHENER.

LONDON, April 11.

King George, yesterday, received Lord Kitchener in audience.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

St. PETERSBURG, April 11.

The Minister for Commerce has submitted to the Cabinet a Bill for the establishment at St. Petersburg of a Russo-Japanese Company to develop closer relations between Russia and Japan commercially and generally.

PORTUGUESE GOVERNOR ARRESTED.

LISBON, April 11.

The Governor of the Cape Verde Islands has been arrested, and is being brought to Lisbon on a charge of abuse of authority.

EXETER ELECTION.

LONDON, April 11.

As the result of the election in consequence of the Exeter petition, Mr. Duke, Conservative, has been returned by a majority of one after a week of exciting scrutiny, the results fluctuating daily, and frequently being a tie.

At the last general election, a Liberal was returned in the person of Mr. H. St. Maur.

AGENCIES FOR SIND COTTON.

Suggestion for Bombay Government.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 10.

Mr. Barton asked a question in the House of Commons, referring to the possibilities of producing a much finer cotton in India, and urging Lord Morley to remove the chief obstacle to progress by advising the Indian Government to co-operate with the Agricultural Department in the creation of an agency in India to buy, gin and bale long-staple cotton.

Mr. Montagu replied that the British Cotton-Growing Association had recently expressed a desire to co-operate with the Bombay Agricultural Department in establishing a buying centre for the Sind Districts, and the offer had been communicated to the Government of Bombay. Lord Morley would view with favour any action that could be legitimately taken by that Government to provide the cultivators with a better market for superior cotton.

[At the Bombay Secretariat we were informed yesterday that a letter was received a few weeks ago from the British Cotton Growing Association, offering to co-operate with the Bombay Government in any measures which might be deemed advisable for the purpose of establishing a market for long staple cotton grown in Sind. This letter is under the consideration of the Agricultural Department, who intend to take some action with this object, but it has not yet been decided what the nature of their action shall be. In previous seasons, both in Sind and in other districts of the Presidency, the Government have undertaken the collection and auction of better-class cottons, but the present proposal of a buying and ginning agency goes much further.

The matter of course is one which has been repeatedly discussed, but apparently neither the Chamber of Commerce, the cotton trade, nor the millowners have taken any definite action. A representative commercial man, whom a representative interviewed yesterday, said that although commercial interests in Bombay were anxious that a market for long staple cottons should be established in the Presidency, he did not think they were likely themselves to set up a buying agency as it appeared to them a risky venture until they were assured of a considerable output. Personally, therefore, he would welcome the suggested action by the Government, as his own opinion was that it would be successful in bringing the merchants and cultivators in touch with each other and would be effective in creating a market. At present there was no market, as the class of cotton had not been produced in sufficient quantity to create a rate. On the other hand, the cultivators would not take the trouble which the higher class crop involved, unless they were guaranteed a rate, which was high enough to compensate them for the smaller output which was produced, compared with the output of the ordinary crop.]

LANCASHIRE COTTON TRADE.

LONDON, April 11.

The *Times*, referring to the uneasiness caused by the report circulated late last week that two Lancashire cotton mills were about to be wound up, says that a meeting of shareholders will be called on the 18th instant to consider the situation of the Broadstone Spinning Company of Reddish, near Stockport. This firm possesses 260,000 spindles and produces fine yarns from Egyptian cotton. The other concern is the Coppull Ring Spinning Company, near Chorley, with 80,000 spindles, producing American yarn.

THE PARLIAMENT BILL.

"Kangaroo" Closure Adopted.

LONDON, April 11.

The House of Commons, having only disposed of three and a half lines of the Parliament Bill in a week, Mr. Asquith moved the so-called "Kangaroo" closure, under which the Chairman selects some of the most important amendments for discussion, "hopping over" the rest, which are thereby ruled out.

The motion was adopted.

REFORM OF RUSSIAN NAVY.

Debate in Council of Empire.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 10.

During the debate on the Budget in the Council of Empire, to-day, the Minister of Marine admitted that the many reproaches against the naval administration were well-founded. The Ministry was aware of its shortcomings and was taking measures for a more efficient fleet. He asked for grants of 47,000 men, with 9,500 to be called up each year.

The Council approved the estimates amounting to 110 million roubles, which is 333,000 roubles above the figure passed by the Duma.

SIR J. WARD IN CANADA.

Speech at Toronto.

TORONTO, April 11.

Sir Joseph Ward, the Prime Minister of New Zealand, was entertained at a banquet here, yesterday. In his speech he said that New Zealand was anxious for reciprocal preference with Canada. He also urged a system of co-operation between the Colonies in building navies.

CEYLON POLICE.

LONDON, April 10.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald put a question in the House of Commons, recapitulating the whole history of the English police sergeants who were engaged for Ceylon last year, and asked for an enquiry with a view to justice being done.

Mr. Harcourt replied that he had considered the case most fully and was satisfied that there was no ground for intervention.

VISCOUNT HALDANE.

To Assist the Lords of Appeal.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 10.

At question time in the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith said he hoped that means would be found for Lord Haldane to assist the Lords of Appeal, though he had never held judicial office. This would not involve Lord Haldane's resignation.

INDIAN IMMIGRATION TO SOUTH AFRICA.

Question of Provincial Exclusion.

LONDON, April 10.

In the House of Commons, Mr. John Robertson asked whether, in the event of Asiatics being admitted into South Africa under the new Immigration Act, they could be excluded by provincial legislation.

Mr. Harcourt, the Colonial Secretary, said the control is in the hands of the Union Government, which further is expressly charged with the control of matters specially or differentially affecting Asiatics.

CHINESE PORK AND PLAGUE.

British Doctor to be Despatched.

LONDON, April 10.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Fell questioned Mr. Burns regarding the proximity of plague to the districts from which Chinese pork was now being imported.

Mr. Burns replied that he was willing to consider the question and hoped to send a Local Government Board doctor at once to China to the places where pigs were bred and pork was prepared. Mr. Burns added that plague was not nearer than eight to twelve hundred miles to the places from which the pigs came.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LONDON, April 10.

In a football match, to-day, Dundee beat the Airdrieonians by one goal to nil.

TORNADO AT JAMALPUR.

Damage and Distress.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, April 11.

Tuesday's tornado at Jamalpur, in the Mymensing District, has destroyed a number of villages in the sub-division south-west of Jamalpur town. Twenty-five persons died on the night of the tornado and others were mortally wounded. The deaths amongst cattle were innumerable. The District Magistrate, Mr. Blackwood, went to the places and arranged for the medical treatment of those injured. The local zamindars, with officers, went to the scene also and distributed money for the immediate relief in the affected area, which is four miles in length and half a mile wide. The affected population numbers over a thousand. Poor people are rendered homeless and are starving for want of food.

THE PROPOSED UNIVERSITY.

Petition Submitted to King.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BENARES, April 11.

Private advises from England state that the petition for the proposed University for India, now in the hands of the India Office at London, was submitted to the King-Emperor for a Royal Charter some months ago, and there is a chance of its being granted at no distant date. Since the publication of the names of the petitioners last year, there has been an addition of another Mahomedan gentleman's name, that of the Hon'ble Mr. Abdulha Ul Maman Suhrarardy, of Bengal, who has also joined.

KORUKUPETT MURDER CASE.

Convictions Set Aside by Government.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, April 11.

Under orders issued by the Government, two men who had been convicted of perjury in connection with the Korukupett Murder Case and who had been sentenced to five years' rigorous imprisonment each at the recent Criminal Sessions of the Madras High Court, were released from custody and set at liberty yesterday evening.

LUCKNOW NEWS.

Garden Party at Government House.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, April 11.

A successful "Garden Party" was given by the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Porter yesterday, in the grounds of Government House. The whole of Lucknow Society was present, and the function was also attended by members of the Legislative Council which was in session during the day.

As at present arranged, the Hon'ble Mr. Porter will leave Lucknow on the 15th instant for Rampur and will proceed thence to the Terai for a few days in camp. The Lieutenant-Governor will reach Naini Tal on the 24th instant, when the Government Offices will open there.

THE POONA FIRE.

Remarkable Absence of Medical Relief.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, April 11.

The *Evening Despatch*, to-day, comments in forcible terms on the entire absence of medical relief for the sufferers in the great fire at Salumbra village. It writes :—"Up to Monday afternoon, when our special correspondent left the scene of the tragic occurrence no doctor had been near the place, nor were there signs of anyone coming, and yet there were numerous cases of persons with ghastly burns, who must have been suffering agonising tortures which even the most elementary medical aid might have helped to relieve ; but though Poona contained a large body of medical men, both civil and military, and there is presumably medical attendance to be had at Talegaon, a few miles from the scene of the disaster, no one apparently considered it his duty to wire for medical assistance. In India we are so bound down to routine, so taken up with the thought of precedents, that the poor distracted subordinate, on whom most of the work in any emergency generally falls, is at a loss to know how to act. He goes about his duties in the way he has been taught ; but as to telegraphing for medical aid, that does not figure in his list of instructions, nor the thought of relieving the suffering seldom or never enters into his calculations. We feel almost certain that if a family call for the services of a few doctors had been sent to Poona there would have been found any number who would willingly have sacrificed their convenience and comfort, in response to the call of duty and humanity, but that no help was rendered at Salumbra is due in a great part to the lack of system in dispensing medical aid which is characteristic of India. This is the matter which merits the attention of Government, for unless our boasted medical system is not to be a farce, some rules should be laid down under which the police or those in authority ought to be authorized to call for medical aid in emergencies of this sort.

THE CASE OF MR. ALFRED FROOD.

Conviction Upheld.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, April 11.

At the High Court, this afternoon, Justices Holmwood and Sharfuddin disposed of a rule issued on behalf of Alfred Frood against the order of the Chief Magistrate convicting the petitioner of criminal breach of trust and sentencing him to three months' rigorous imprisonment. The petitioner was Manager of the Calcutta branch of the Bombay Motor Car Co, and was found to have misappropriated the Company's money to the extent of Rs. 1,057. Their Lordships held that it was a clear case of defalcation and mis-appropriation and refused to interfere with the finding of the Magistrate.

"THE JOURNALIST'S GHOST" CASE.

Defendants Tender Apology.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, April 11.

The case known as the "Journalist's Ghost" Case terminated, this afternoon, before the Chief Magistrate. In this case Monoranjan Bannerjee, son of the late Pundit Kaliprosanna Kabyabisarad, charged Khirode Prosad Vidyabinode and others, manager, editor and printer of a vernacular weekly, with defaming complainant's late father, who was editor of the "Hitabadi" newspaper. The defendants were charged with putting into the mouth of the ghost of the late Pundit, in the course of a seance, words which were considered defamatory. The defendants apologised to the complainant and the case was allowed to be withdrawn.

PROPOSED UNIVERSITY OF INDIA.

Amalgamation Proposals.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BENARES, April 11.

Efforts are being made by the promoters of the proposed University of India and the Hindu University to amalgamate the two schemes and to work jointly rather than separately. Mrs. Besant and the Hon'ble Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya will work together for one University underthe name of the University of Benares. In the beginning the University shall only be an examining body like the Government Universities in India, but the promoters trust that it will later on become a teaching body and so fulfil the true ideal of University life unknown at present in India. The Central Hindu College, affiliated to the University [standard of efficiency in examinations, will be kept the same as in Government Universities and Government will also have representatives on the governing body of the University of Benares. Mrs. Besant has been silently working for the last one year, and she counts upon 40 lakhs at present, and after the amalgamation of the two proposed Universities has been effected, the total amount will come up to 50 lakhs. It is further proposed that when Mrs. Besant goes to England on the 22nd of April, she will meet the Aga Khan and pray to His Majesty the King-Emperor to lay the foundation of the Muslim University and the University of Benares during his visit to India after the Delhi Coronation Durbar.

A big meeting is being arranged to be held next week in the Town Hall at which Mrs. Besant and Pandit Malaviya will speak on the proposed scheme.

His Highness the Maharaja of Benares, who has been very enthusiastic about the movement, will be requested to preside.

MUSLIM UNIVERSITY DEPUTATION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, April 11.

At a public meeting of the Mahomedan community, this evening, at the Victoria Hall, under the presidency of Mr. A. K. S. Jamal, the Muslim University Deputation from Aligarh was welcomed. The Chairman introduced Maulavi Mohamad Aziz Mirza, Honorary Secretary of the All-India Muslim League, who explained to the large audience the aims and objects of the Muslim University Deputation and appealed to them for liberal funds. Several speakers addressed the meeting. At the close of the proceedings it was announced that subscriptions to the extent of Rs.1,12,750 had been promised. The President subscribed towards that half a lakh. A Provincial Committee of twelve members was formed, with Mr. A. K. S. Jamal as President and Mr. E. M. Patel, Bar-at-Law, as Vice-President.

The Amir was still at Jellalabad on the 3rd April, and there were at that time no preparations in his camp for an early departure for the capital.

THE ASSAM MURDERS.

Punitive Expedition Despatched.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, April 11.

The Dibrugarh correspondent of the "Englishman" telegraphs as follows regarding the Abor outrage :—Colonel Gardon, the Commissioner, arrived on Saturday and left for Saikwah by the first train on Sunday morning. The Maxim gun detachment of the Assam Valley Light Horse, consisting of ten men, under the command of Captain Lovell, have offered their services and are awaiting orders. It is estimated that the first party of the Lakhimpur Military Police reached Pasighat about Saturday last, and they deserve much credit for their promptness and despatch in arriving at this place.

The first news reached Dibrugarh late on the morning of Wednesday. A fully-equipped party, with one month's rations, left by the four o'clock train of the same day, and, having regard to the transport difficulties that have to be overcome between Saikwah and Pasighat, their advance has been very expeditiously carried out. With the first party are Mr. A. H. Bentinck, I. C. S., Deputy Commissioner, Captain Sir Duff Sutherland Dunbar, Commandant, and Captain Hutchins, Assistant Commandant. Mr. Harrison, who was the first to receive the survivors, no doubt accompanies them, as his knowledge of the people and country will be invaluable.

A second detachment of the Lakhimpur Military Police under Captain Beaman left Saikwah on Saturday for Pasighat, and efforts are being made to open signalling communications between the two places. The services of a stern-wheel feeder steamer have been requisitioned to assist in the transport and communication between the two places, and Mr. Harrison has probably lent the "Meckla Nuddee" steam launch for this purpose.

NO HOPE OF SAFETY ENTERTAINED.

It should be explained that Saikwah is the headquarters of the expedition, being at the railhead and the most advanced telegraph office. It is distant three days by country boat from Pasighat, which is in the Pasimiyong country, and this will no doubt be the advance base. These Abors (the Pasimyong Abors) are presumably friendly, and it would appear that the Bor Abors—by far the strongest clan—are implicated in, if not responsible for, the murder. In some places, the fighting strength of this clan is as high as ten thousand.

There has hardly been time for news to arrive from Pasighat, but it is understood that a report has already been received from there that no hope can be entertained as to the safety of Mr. Williamson and Dr. Gregorson. There have been local rumours that three and even four Europeans have perished, and the name of one of the American Baptist Missionaries at Sadiya has been mentioned. It should be noted that this is incorrect, and only the two already mentioned were of the party.

It is understood that the steamer "Rani," belonging to the River Steam Navigation Co. now lying at Dibrugarh, has been chartered by the Government for use in connection with the expedition. The Assam Valley Light Horse Maxim Gun Detachment is ready awaiting orders to move. The Volunteers are showing admirable willingness to place their services at the disposal of the Government. The strength of the hostile tribe responsible for the outrage is not yet known, but it is estimated that their fighting strength is no less than ten thousand. It is suggested that a strong punitive expedition should be organised without delay.

ARTICLE BY THE "ENGLISHMAN."

In the course of a leading article, to-day, the "Englishman," referring to the Abor outrage, says :—"It is evident that the only method of punishing the Abors that will, in any sense, fit the crime is the entire destruction of Riu together with the surrender of the headmen and those others, who instigated the massacre. This can only be accomplished by means of a punitive expedition on a scale which must render even the most minor disaster impossible. In 1893, the Abors claimed a victory over our troops, because they were able to rush a base camp and massacre a few unarmed coolies. This time there ought to be no break in the line of communications between Pasighat and Riu, and the troops employed must be numerous enough to protect adequately all camping places on the line. British prestige is at stake, not only amongst the Abors, but amongst the Daffalas and the Mishmis who have no knowledge of the punishment inflicted on the Manipuris after a similar outrage. There is less reason to consider China, because the latter country, by pushing her outposts into the buffer states, has been driving the savages towards us. Only quite recently Chinese soldiers occupied Nima, which is within our border if it is anywhere. It is quite possible that the new forward policy of China in Tibet may have induced her to send parties down the Sanpo to explore the Mishmi and Abor territories. Such parties, if strong enough, would naturally drive the Abors downwards and this would explain the invasion of the Miri territory by the latter.

UNITED PROVINCES COUNCIL.

Debate on Budget.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, April 11.

The debate on the United Provinces Budget opened here this morning. All the speakers prefaced their remarks by expressing joy at the coming visit of their Majesties.

A point prominently referred to was the inadequacy of the grants made to the United Provinces under the new settlement.

Pandit Madan Mohan urged that if a representation was now made, the Province would be more liberally treated next year.

Babu Gunga Prasad Verma urged the necessity of a new Council Hall.

The Honourable Mr. Stuart defended the Government's plague policy and said that all remedies were being tried. One lakh of rupees had been provided, but it was the Government's intention to spend more, if the funds permitted.

Mr. De La Fosse agreed that more funds were needed for education. As to the insufficiency of female teachers he thought the difficulty lay with the people themselves who thought it beneath their dignity for better class women to earn their living as teachers.

LATER.

The debate on the United Provinces Budget has been brought to a close. Colonel Manifold said that hospitals were not fully availed of by the public. He thought the people would accept remedies if brought to their doors, and suggested fully-equipped travelling dispensaries. The Finance Member having replied, the Lieutenant-Governor wound up the debate. A resolution, suggesting the cancellation of liquor licenses at fairs and festivals, was lost by 20 votes against 14. The Council adjourned "sine die."

HEALTH OF BOMBAY.

Increase in Mortality.

The report on the Public Health of Bombay during the first quarter of 1911, submitted by the Health Officers, runs as follows :—

The health conditions of the City during the quarter under review have not been favourable compared with the corresponding quarter of 1910. An increased mortality has been recorded from almost all the principal causes of death. Plague mortality shows an increase of 296, cholera 45, measles 442, fevers 53, diarrhœal diseases 25, other respiratory diseases 630, and the total mortality an increase of 1,102. But small-pox shows a decrease of 362 deaths and pthisis of 32. The number of births registered during the period under review, however, exceeded the figure for the first quarter of 1910 by 373 and is the highest number for the first quarter of any year except 1906.

Compared with the decennial averages, there was, in the quarter under notice, a reduction of 4,027, in the mortality from plague, of 222 in that from small-pox, of 392 under diarrhœal diseases, 180 under phthisis and of 4,880 under all causes. There was but a slight increase under cholera and other respiratory diseases—of 38 and 242 respectively.

The number of births registered exceeded the decennial average by 775. 5,100 births were registered in the City during the quarter, being 373 more than in the corresponding quarter of 1910 as already observed; but 564 less than in the foregoing quarter owing to the annual exodus of families at the approach of the plague season. The total number of deaths registered was 10,362—the lowest figure for the 1st quarter of any year since the first appearance of plague in 1897—excepting 1909 and 1910 when the mortality was 10,072 and 9,260 respectively. The figure 10,372, however, represents the gross mortality of the City—including as it does 190 deaths among persons newly arrived into the City and not belonging to it: 26 from plague, 4 from small-pox, 3 from cholera and the rest from other diseases. The highest mortality on a single day in the quarter was 152 on 24th March, the number of plague deaths on that day being 32. In January the highest number of deaths registered on a single day was 127 on the 22nd; in February 151 on the 24th the number of plague deaths on those days being 7 and 24 respectively. January registered 112 deaths from plague, February 386 and March 872, the total number of plague deaths in the quarter being 1,370—1,232 more than in the preceding quarter and 296 more than in the first quarter of 1910. Yet it is the lowest plague mortality recorded for the first quarter of any previous year except 1910. The highest number of deaths registered from plague on a single day in January was 10 on the 30th ; in February 27 on the 25th ; in March 46 on the 29th. Early in the quarter I thought it necessary to warn the public against a severe epidemic of plague and advocated inoculation. Unfortunately, the epidemic has been greater than last year, but still less than in any other previous year. With the exception of our own men amongst the labour staff, the public have not availed themselves of the facilities offered. Small-pox and measles were both present throughout the quarter but the latter very prevalent. 303 attacks of small-pox were registered in the period under review against 978 in the first quarter of 1910 ; of this 16 were imported—5 in February and 11 in March. Of the cases in the latter month 4 were among Mahomedan pilgrims from Jeddah—who had not been vaccinated prior to their embarkation for the Haj. Small-pox deaths numbered 161—being 362 less than in the first quarter of 1910 but 152 more than in the preceding quarter ; of these 1 was among Mahomedan pilgrims. Measles caused 470 deaths in the period under report : 127 in January, 155 in February and 188 in March, being 442 more than in the first quarter of 1910 and 384 more than in the foregoing quarter. It was also the highest mortality recorded from the disease in the first quarter of any year since 1901. Leaflets of precautions against measles were freely distributed in the City and the Registrars and Nurses visited houses and cautioned parents about infection and the care of the child when convalescing.

As usual, during all the cold season the work of vaccination was pushed on with special vigour: the Registrars and the Vaccination Staff paid frequent visits to houses and chawls and all affected areas for finding out unprotected persons and vaccinating and re-vaccinating in large numbers; the medical practitioners in the City were also visited and their assistance sought to get unprotected children vaccinated. On the arrival of each pilgrim ship from Jeddah vaccinators were deputed to induce and vaccinate the pilgrims. There was a sudden rise in the mortality from cholera towards the end of the last year, from 4 in November to 42 in December; the first six days of January 1911 registered 17 deaths from the disease; there were 34 more in the rest of the month. With the beginning of February there was a very rapid decline in the mortality from cholera : February and March registered 3 deaths each from the disease. Wherever a case of cholera occurred, the place was disinfected ; the utensils were treated with Permanganate and Izal solutions ; soiled clothing burnt and all other clothes sterilized. Privies, washing places, and water taps and "nahanies" were also disinfected and the drains flushed. The houses and chawls were frequently visited, and contacts kept under observation. As the disease began to spread, the Deputy Health Officers and Registrars were asked to specially inquire into the history of each case returned as Gastro-Enteritis or Choleraic Diarrhœa or Cholero and to send samples of food and water and milk to the Municipal Laboratory for analysis.

Leaflets on the prevention of cholera printed in English and Vernaculars were freely distributed and all precautionary measures taken. During the Mahim Fair printed notices were put up in conspicuous places for the information of the large numbers frequenting the fair. Fresh instructions were issued to the Deputy Health Officers to seize and destroy all unwholesome food exposed for sale. About half-a-dozen cases of cholera having occurred among the operatives of the Crescent Mills residing at Worli, and it having come to the notice of this Department that they were in the habit of drinking milk supplied by the keeper of the milch cattle shed in the vicinity of their huts, the Mill Agents were written to for warning their men against drinking milk without boiling ; a similar communication was also addressed to the Agents of the Edward Sassoon Mills, among whose employes residing at Worli a case of cholera had occurred. The result of all these measures is seen reflected in the striking reduction of mortality from cholera during February and March. Destruction of rats and inoculation and other preventive measures were continued as in the past. Health Camps have been erected by the people at Vincent Road, Matunga and Mahim. Municipal Health Camps have been put up as in the past to encourage evacuation—at Victoria Bunder Agripada, Northbrook Gardens, Parbhadevi Road, Parel Government House, Babula Tank, Gilder Tank and Mahim Gardens and Railway Station.

The total number of rats collected in the quarter exceeds the number for the corresponding quarter of the last year (1,48,580) by 17,169. Out of 1,65,749 rats collected and sent to the Parel Laboratory, 39,333 dead rats were examined.

As a result of anti-malarial investigations continued in the quarter, 69 wells were reported to the Standing Committee as being the "most objectionable"; and 41 wells were covered and 26 filled in as under:—

Ward	A	B	D	E	Total.
Wells filled in	10	5	1	10 =	26
„ covered...	13	11	12	5 =	41

At the close of the quarter under review it is observed that 170 wells reported from time to time since 20th April 1910 as being the "most objectionable cases" are still awaiting the instructions of the Standing Committee. It is absolutely necessary in the interest of public health that action should be expedited in respect of these wells.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Deaths.—The number of deaths registered from all causes during the quarter was 10,362 being 2,576 more than in the previous quarter and 1,102 more than in the corresponding period of the last year. Of the total number of deaths, 4,241 were of persons born in Bombay, 5,749 of those born out of Bombay and 372 were of those whose place of birth could not be traced.

Plague.—Plague occasioned 1,370 deaths, being 1,232 more than in the preceding quarter and 296 more than in the 1st quarter of 1910. The number of plague attacks during the quarter was 1,537.

Small-pox.—Small-pox accounted for 161 deaths, being 152 more than in the foregoing quarter but 362 less than in the 1st quarter of the last year. 303 attacks from small-pox were recorded during the quarter.

DISPENSARIES.

During the quarter the number of new cases treated at the Municipal Dispensaries was 18,064 (11,409 males and 6,655 females), being 4,824 less than in the last quarter and 816 less than in the corresponding period of the previous year ; the total number of attendances was 83,847. Out of this number 424 patients were seen at their houses.

In addition to this, the actual number of new cases individually treated at the Colaba and Victoria Bunder Charitable Dispensaries (to which a contribution is paid by the Municipality and which are under the direct control of the Registrar No. 1 District who visits them daily) was 1,531 (1,123 males and 408 females) making 5,156 the total number of attendances. Of these 16 patients were seen at their houses.

During the quarter, 2,678 visits were paid to houses, chawls and huts by the nurses working under the Registrars and they inquired into 1,115 cases of ordinary sickness, 483 cases of infectious diseases and 671 deaths amongst the female population of the City. They also attended 162 confinements and ascertained 2,283 births.

RANGOON DEFAMATION SUIT.

Magistrate Reserves Judgment.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, April 11.

Evidence in the defamation case brought by Mr. C. Arnold against Mr. W. H. Barton of the "Sunday Times and Times of Burma," came up for hearing yesterday. The Magistrate reserved judgment until April 24.

The defence raised a point as to whether an editor could bring an action on behalf of the proprietors of any newspaper.

Mr. Gaunt, for the prosecution, submitted that Mr. Arnold was the complainant and left it with the Court to decide whether he was an injured person.

The complainant having been cross-examined, the advocate for the defence stated he had no evidence to offer.

Mr. Gaunt addressed the Court, submitting that there was no justification for the continuous attacks on his client which were scurrilous and of the "yellow press" variety. The "Rangoon Times" had throughout two years maintained a dignified silence. The accused admitted to be the writer of the alleged articles and he was solely responsible for them. He urged for exemplary punishment.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK A PASSENGER TRAIN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, April 11.

It appears that another attempt to wreck a passenger train was made, last evening, near Sonarpur Junction, a station on the southern section of the Eastern Bengal State Railway. Shortly after a down train had left Chingripotta, the driver of the train noticed five long bamboos placed across the track near a level-crossing gate. The driver promptly applied the brakes, bringing the train to a standstill before the obstacle was reached. The police have taken up the enquiry. No arrests are reported.

OPENING OF A NEW HOSTEL.

Liberal Donations Offered.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

NAVSARI, April 11.

The ceremony of opening the Ratanji Daboo students' quarters in connection with the Navsari Madressa at a cost of Rs. 35,000, jointly contributed by His Highness and the sons of Mr. Daboo, was performed by His Highness, this evening, before a large gathering. Mr. Masani, the Minister of Education, gave a short history of the hostel and explained the advantages of such institutions and thanked the Daboo brothers for their liberality. Mr. Peshotan Daboo, on behalf of his brothers and himself, requesting His Highness to open the building sincerely thanked him for kindly presiding and performing the ceremony and the liberal help of Rs. 17,500 in addition to Rs. 6,000 for the site, all which he declared was in accordance with His Highness' liberality towards education.

His Highness then formally opened the building and went over it and declared himself satisfied with the work. His Highness then delivered a speech explaining the advantages of hostels.

PUNJAB ROYAL MEMORIAL.

Government's Proposals.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, April 11.

The letter of the Chief Secretary of the Punjab Government to the President, Executive Committee of the Punjab Royal Memorial, is published. The Government says that the aggregate expenditure on buildings, fittings and site must not exceed twenty-five lakhs, and that this is a fundamental condition. The Punjab Government also proposes to appoint for hospitals a Governing Board, on which representatives of the public will be given seats, but Government would retain in its own hands the power for the appointment of Governors. The Punjab Government proposes to carry out the scheme through the Public Works Department, but regard will be paid to the wishes of large contributors where they have asked donations to be applied to specific purposes. The Executive Committee of the Memorial has decided that thirteen lakhs should be allotted to Hospitals, including Nurses' Home and House-Surgeons' quarters, and there is a proposal of capitalising two lakhs for the purposes of teaching and treatment in Vaidic and Unani systems of medicine.

A Marine Court of Enquiry will assemble at Tuticorin shortly to enquire into the cause of the disaster to the German steam-ship "Bergedorf."

Mr. F. W. Maaze, Commissioner of Chinese Customs, who was formerly stationed at Tengyeuh on the frontier, has been appointed Commissioner of Customs at Canton, the commercial capital of south China.

The Begum of Bhopal with her two sons left Bhopal for England on the 7th instant. The eldest son and heir-apparent Nawab Nasrulla Khan, it is announced will do the work of the State during Her Highness' absence.

Mr. Raitt, the fibre expert, who was working at the Allahabad Exhibition, has been placed on special duty at the Forest Research Institute for summer in connection with the proposed utilisation of wood pulp for paper manufacture.

While watching a detachment of the Army Medical Corps at drill on board the s.s. "Ortona" at Southampton in mail week, Colonel Browne, chief of the embarkation staff, fell down the vessel's hold and was instantly killed.

BROACH MUNICIPALITY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Exactly eight months after the nomination of Mr. T. D. Mackenzie (the then Collector of Broach) to the Presidentship of the Broach Municipality (after trying the experiment of non-official presidents for some time), Mr. Crawley Boevey was appointed President of the turbulent Surat Municipality by the Government of Lord Reay. This was the direct result of the constant agitation which I had been carrying on in the public press for the appointment of Collector-Presidents of Mofussil Municipalities. I still stick to my old opinion, and say that publicly, up to the hour of writing this letter, that local self-government without a Collector. President is a farce and a pantomine. It is well-known how the mofussil municipalities have been discharging their public functions, and how the members aim more at making their names and bringing themselves to the notice of the people than at devising and carrying out measures for the real improvement of the sanitary condition of the town. It is a well-known fact that these local self-governing bodies are generally composed of conflicting or turbulent elements taken from the general masses of the people of India, who are now in a transition state, both politically, and intellectually.

The people of India have yet to learn to do good work for the public for the sake of good alone. The good of the individual is too often before them. Take care of "number one" is the ruling passion of their life.

If I am at all required to support my preachings against the nomination of non-officials to Presidentship by recent concrete illustrations, I will put forward the cases of Ahmedabad and Broach, and then coolly reply whether I have not succeeded in making out my case. The suspension of the former Municipality last year under a Resolution of Government, thundering forth the many and glaring irregularities, illegatities as well as the stupendous absurdities of its administrations, is too fresh in the minds of your readers to need repetition here. As regards the latter—that is, of my own native town—I would remind your readers of the still fresher remarks made in the first week of the last month only by His Excellency Sir George Clarke in reply to the Municipal address presented to him on his visit to the town. The remarks are anything but pleasant reading to all concerned with the Municipal administration of Broach. I think I should spare my feelings as well as the feelings of my townsmen and Municipal members by not mentioning them here. One additional ground for the omission is that the old Board has ceased to exist from the 31st March last, and one should always have some respect for the dead.

If I am challenged to give fresh proofs or solid work under the superintendence of the Collector-President, I believe I shall not have to go beyond my town in search of it. I have simply to point my finger towards a bungalow to the west of the town—known as the Collectors' Bungalow,—and introduce on the stage its present occupant. He has hardly been six months here but his activities are noticeable in all departments, whether Revenue, Magisterial, Local Funds, Educational or Municipal. If, unfortunately anybody entertains the slightest suspicion regarding the honesty of my assertion, let him only read the speech he made on the forenoon of the 1st instant at the inaugural ceremony of the steam ferry service on the Nerbudda river. Let him then judge of the many and his grasp from the speech, and then say what such an officer would not do in the interest of the Municipality when placed at its helm!

Here in Broach, the first general meeting of the new Board was held on Saturday, the 8th instant, for the election of its President. This is a privilege recently conceded to the Board, which was exercised in the unanimous election of my friend and cousin Mr. Sorabshaw H. Solbhaisett (a Magistrate and a grandson of the Great Solbhaisett) about whom I say without fear of any contradiction that he is the next best available man, second to the Collector, to drive the Municipal car. The Collector is to be congratulated on his having found in him a very capable and an efficient officer who is quite fitted to discharge the onerous duties of his civic office which will be easily seeing from the dignified neat little speech he delivered on being unanimously elected President of the Municipality. It is fully believed that the Collector has made the happiest selection in finding out the man, and deserves to be complimented for the choice made. The speech delivered was as follows:—

"Before taking my seat, I know not how, I should thank you for the honour you have done me in electing your President. The way in which the announcement of this election has been received will infuse enthusiasm in my heart, which has been the abode of sorrow and sadness these eighteen months, on account of my calamitous misfortune, which is known to most of you. I have been passing the days of my embittered life in strict retirement and had no intention whatever of making any change in it. But my friends and well wishers kindly interposed, when they saw there was a chance for them to induce me to return to public life again. Yielding to their judgment and advise, I have laid aside my private feelings and considerations, and placed my humble services at your disposal and through you at the disposal of my townsmen. I think I would be wanting in my duty if I let this opportunity go without expressing my heartfelt thanks to all my friends and well-wishers, who have taken so much trouble on my account. And I may add without fear of being adjudged guilty of exaggerations that my gratefulness to our worthy Collector Mr. Otto Rothfeld is boundless. Now my only prayer is that I may prove myself worthy of your selection, which is difficult without your hearty co-operation, on which I confidently rely.

"Which it would be my duty to see that your resolutions are respected, that your orders are attended to; and that yours finances are carefully looked after, it would not be too much to expect that your deliberations are marked with gravity and restraint, and be entirely free from party spirit of a low type which is so fatal to good administration. The necessity for this is now greater than ever, inasmuch as this Board has been constituted with larger privileges than before. Two-thirds of the Councillors have been returned under the elective franchise, and of the remaining one-third no fewer than five are non-officials. In other words, of the entire body of Councillors, only three are officials, and twenty-one non-officials. There is also the right to elect your own President. This state of things is, I believe, quite unique in the history of Municipal administrations of the town of Broach. Gentlemen, larger privileges mean greater responsibilities. All eyes would now be watching our proceedings very closely. While honest differences of opinion and bona-fide discussions are always welcome as conducive to correct conclusions of all matters, desultory discussions from point of party spirit invariably lead to unpleasant consequences.

"Let therefore work and not words be our motto and let me pray that our administration be so successful through willing co-operation of and mutual respect and regard for each and all Councillors that it might earn the approbation of Government as well as of the public, whose interest has been entrusted to our charge for the time being."

I sincerely wish my success to the new Parsee President and the Councillors. In making these remarks on our mofusil municipalities, I would submit that I am actuated thus purely "pro bono publico." I have myself been mentioned in his able note on self-government by my late lamented friend Mr. Javerilal Umiashankar as an eligible candidate for the very post I am writing about. For the rest we may quote the following from one of the dailies of Bombay:—"We are informed that Mr. Sheppard, the Commissioner, N. D. offered the Presidentship of the Broach Municipality to Mr. N. S. Ginwalla, a year ago, but that the offer was declined with thanks" This will show that I am discussing this matter with perfect impartiality.—Yours, etc.,

NUSSERWANJI S. GINWALLA.

Broach 10-4-11.

OF the £31,000 spent by the Women's Social and Political Union last year, says the report just issued, £6,100 was for salaries; £23,668 was subscribed, and £5,718 collected.

BEAUTY AND HYGIENE.

For health, beauty and luxury, use the "ALBION MILK and SULPHUR SOAP," which, Lady Constance Howard writes, "is pleasant to use and whitens and softens the skin." Also Testimonials from Countess Bathurst, Countess of Westmeath, Lady White Viscountess Exmouth, Lady Dorothy Nevill and many others. Delicately perfumed. Warning:—When buying the Albion Milk and Sulphur Soap see that the [illegible] figure head of Albion are on the wrapper, sold by [illegible], Grocers, etc.

BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

A MEETING of the Members of the Bombay Natural History Society took place yesterday at the Society's Rooms, Lieut.-Col. W. B. Bannerman presiding.

NEW MEMBERS.

The election of the following 15 new members since the last meeting was duly announced:—Mr. Gulabrai Bhawandas, Sehwan, Sind; Mr. P. Vlasto, Bombay; Lt. J. Wolfe Murray, R.N., Bombay; Mr. A. R. Villar, Tharrawaddy, L. Burma; Mr. R. E. Macpherson, Sholapur; Lt. Col. H. Fooks, I. M.S., Risalpur, N. W. F. P.; Freeman Roper, England; Mr. C. P. G. Jones, Sinho, Burma; Mr. E. H. Burt, Bombay Lt. C. B. Evans, R. N., Bombay; A Barnes, Rutlam; Shrimant Chintamonrao Appasaheb Patwardhan, Chief of Sangli, Sangli, S. M. C.; Mr. G. B. Scott, Ahwaz, P. O., Via Persian Gulf; Mr. W. E. Beazley, Malakand; and N. H. Deane, Rangoon, Burma.

Mr. N. B. Kinnear in the absence of the Honorary Secretary, acknowledged the following contributions to the Museum, since the last meeting:—

Contribution.	Locality.	Donor.
2 Markhor Masks	Chitral ...	Capt R A Lyall
2 Muntjac heads	Kangra Dist ...	Genl W Osborn
2 Pine martens	Chitral ...	Capt R A Lyall
1 Flying Squirrel	Chitral ...	Capt R A Lyall
1 Large brown Flying Squirrel	Almora ...	Major F Wall, IMS
2 Indian Desert, Gerbilles	Sibi, Baluchistan	Major C Ward
2 Afghan Gerbilles	do.	do.
1 Shrew ...	Debra Dun ...	Major H Fulton
1 Wing of European Bustard	Risalpur ...	Col H Fooks
1 Head of a Mute Swan	Nowshera ...	Capt H O'Brien
2 White-winged wood Ducks	Shwebo ...	Mr W C Hannyngton
1 Pied Kingfisher	Almora ...	Major F Wall
1 Solitary Snipe...	do. ...	do.
1 Golden Eye...	Jhelum ...	Mr F L Hughes
3 Grey Partridges	Mekran Coast ...	Capt A Hunt, R E
1 Reed Bunting...	Rawal Pindi ...	Mr H Whistler
4 Spotted wings...	Dehra Dun ...	Major H T Fulton
2 Eggs of Sand-grouse	Orcha ...	H H Maharaja of Orch
1 Python (alive) ..	Wardha ...	Mr F S Pattuck, I C S
1 Burmese Krait.	Minbu Burma ...	Major F Wall
4 Typhlops brahminus (jew)	Assam ...	Major F Wall
1 Cobra ...	Palli Hill, Bandra	Col J Forbes
1 Green Whip Snake	do. ...	Mr J Birkett
1 Simotes arnensis	Thana ...	Mr H Bulkley
1 Phoorsa ...	Cutch ...	Mr J H Smith
9 Fish 7 crabs 1 lizard	Karwar ...	Mr P Gerhardt

INDIAN MAMMAL SURVEY.

The Secretary announced that since the last meeting of the Society he had received some Rs. 6,500, making the total subscription up to date about Rs. 10,000.

Amongst the principal contributors were, H. H. the Maharaja Scindia, Rs. 2,000, (which was mentioned at the last meeting), the Hon. N. C. Rothschild, Rs. 1,500; H. H. the Rao of Cutch, Rs. 1,000; and H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, Rs. 1,000.

The Secretary added that Sir Dorab Tata has just promised a donation of Rs. 1,000 towards the Mammal appeal.

The Society's collector, Mr. Crump was still in Khandesh working eastwards towards the Benares, from where it was proposed that he should work north into the C. P. The first instalment of skins had been received and were exhibited at the other end of the room. There was nothing of special interest in the collection as it was made in rather a poor from the mammal point of view district. The mammal life in East Khandesh does not seem to have recovered yet from the famine and the ravages of the Bhils.

A second instalment of skins was expected shortly, and as Mr. Crump had mentioned in his last letter that he was in a better district, a more varied and interesting collection was expected

The Honorary Secretary proposed that a vote of thanks should be passed to Mr. A. H. A. Simcox, I.C.S., with whom Mr. Crump had been staying part of his time in Khandesh. Mr. Simcox had given every assistance in his power and had, therefore, made Mr. Crump's work much easier.

Mr. Nigel Kerr, in seconding the vote of thanks to Mr. Simcox, said it appeared that had it not been for the public spirit of the Indian Princes mentioned and Mr. Rothschild, the funds received in response to the appeal would not have been encouraging and would not hold out much chance of the services of a second collector being obtained. He hoped that the members of the Society would all respond to the appeal. It was not too much to ask every member to contribute at least Rs. 10.

The following paper was then read by Capt. J. Taylor, I. M. S, "Experiments in the Breeding of 'Mus rattus.'"

The experiments on the breeding of rats were done at Parel in order to estimate the fecundity of "Mus rattus." The details given and the calculations from them are based on actual observations in specially constructed godowns in which the natural conditions were reproduced as closely as possible.

From the results of the breeding experiment a table of total fecundity was produced, and in this was shown the enormous possible rate of increase of these rodents. The factors affecting the rat population were considered and the importance of destruction of young rats by their parents shown. The bearing of the observations on general question of rat destruction was considered and a comparison made between "Mus rattus" and "Mus decumanus."

THE BOOK OF THE CORONATION DURBAR.

"The Book of the Imperial Coronation Durbar," which will be issued in December 1911, and will be a complete pictorial and historical record and biographical sketches of Their Majesties The King-Emperor and Queen-Empress, and of many distinguished visitors, dignitaries, title holders, raises and zamindars of India, who may assemble at Delhi for the Imperial Coronation Durbar. Portraits of the Indian Princes, leading dignitaries, title holders, raises and zamindars and their families, views of the various States, places and buildings of historic interest, the State jewels and other objects of art and interest fully described in the letter press will be a special feature of this section of the Book. Particular pains will be taken to make the descriptive matter historically interesting as well as illustrative of the present day condition of the various States. The second part will be issued in February 1912 and will be a complete pictorial and historical record of the Royal Coronation Durbar. This section will be profusely illustrated with views of the chief incidents of the Durbar.

The "Edition de Luxe" of "The Book of the Imperial Coronation Durbar" will be sumptuously bound in Imperial purple. It will be issued by the Imperial Publishing Company of Lahore.

THE GREATEST OF ALL THE BENGALIS.

IT is under this heading that Mr. W. T. Stead in the issue of the "Review of Reviews" just out, pays tribute to the revered Babu Shishir Kumar Ghose. A whole page of the magazine is devoted to a sympathetic account of his life and influence. The sub-headings describe him as "The Admirable Crichton of Bengal," as "A Tribune of the People" as well as spiritualist, journalist and patriot and the last paragraph deals with his religion. The significant story is told of his work for the ryots of the indigo planters and how in the end the grateful ryots named him "Sinni Babu." Another paragraph also deals with his spiritualism and how, instead of going to America he formed a spiritual circle in his own family. Mr. Stead mentions that Babu Shishir Kumar was an enthusiastic supporter of Julia's Bureau, and how his latest words were on the presence of God, the beauty and love of the Father of all nations. The notice concludes with the remark that "His admirable monthly (the "Hindu Spiritual Magazine") will in future be edited by his brother Babu Motilal Ghose who will be assisted by his nephew, Babu Piyush Kanti, the son of the late editor." This sympathetic notice will make the revered Babu known to the "Review's" immense circle of readers.

BOMBAY HIGH COURT.

SANCTION REFUSED.

ON the Crown Side of the Bombay High Court, yesterday, before the Hon'ble Mr.Justice Russell, the rule praying for sanction to prosecute Haji Usuf Haji Ismail Sobhani for perjury in criminal proceedings, again came up for hearing.

Mr. Campbell, holding Mr. Setalvad's brief on behalf of Madanji Vasanji, said the parties had come to terms and the rule was to be withdrawn. There would be no order as to costs.

Mr. Lowndes, for Haji Usuf, said that the other side was withdrawing the rule. It was very doubtful if his Lordship could order costs, and hence he did not wish to argue that question.

His Lordship, thereupon, discharged the rule.

Mr. Lowndes then said that without any disrespect to the Court he wished to mention that his client had felt greatly the remarks made by his Lordship in course of the trial. The Court, of course, was justified in passing those remarks, because many points were not brought to its notice. Had that been done, the Court would have taken quite a different view. This was a question of his client's reputation and hence he mentioned this to the Court.

CLAIM FOR DIFFERENCE.

On the Original Side of the Bombay High Court, yesterday, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Dinshaw Davar disposed of the short cause brought by Well and Company against Vallabdhas Shivji and others to recover Rs. 1,714 for difference on certain cotton contracts.

Mr. F. Sorabji Talayarkhan appeared for the plaintiff; the defendants did not appeal.

Mr. Talayarkhan read the evidence of Mr. Thomas Richard Charles, one of the plaintiffs, taken on commission at Liverpool. The accounts were adjusted and £114-5-5 were found due.

His Lordship passed a decree with interest and costs.

SUIT ON ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

On the Original Side of the Bombay High Court, yesterday, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Dinshaw Davar disposed of the suit brought by Tyeballi Ismailji Isufally against Messrs. Ibrahim Nooroodin and Company on an acknowledgment.

Mr. Mirza, instructed by Messrs. Nanu and Hormusji, appeared for the plaintiff, the defendants did not appear.

The plaintiff said that on the 18th April 1907, he had advanced Rs. 10,000 to the defendants at their request. Nothing had been paid to him in spite of demands.

A decree for the amount claimed was passed with interest and costs. Execution was stayed as the defendants had become insolvent.

NATIONAL BANK'S CLAIM.

On the Original Side of the Bombay High Court, yesterday, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Dinshaw Davar disposed of the suit brought by the National Bank of India against Messrs. Ibrahim Nooroodin and Company.

Mr. Weldon, instructed by Messrs. Little and Company, appeared for the plaintiff; the defendants did not appear.

Mr. James Smith, Sub-manager of the Bank, said that the suit was for recovering sums lent on various occasions. The amount now due was Rs. 20,449.

A decree for the amount with interest and costs was passed; execution was stayed.

SMALL CAUSES COURT.

Railway Company's Liability.

AT the Bombay Small Causes Court, Mr. K. M. Jhaveri disposed of the suit brought by Sudakali Miyaji against the B. B. and C. I. Railway Company to recover Rs. 381-4 being the value of a bale of piece-goods consigned by him from Carnac Bunder to Broach and destroyed by a fire that occurred in the train between Saphala and Palghar in April last.

Mr. K. K. Suntoke and Mr. Dalal, pleaders, appeared for the plaintaiff; Mr. Dunlop, solicitor, and Mr. Indar-Narayan, pleader, were for the Company.

The Railway Company pleaded that there was no negligence on their part and that they had taken as much care as a man of ordinary prudence would. They denied liability.

The learned Judge held that the fire could be traced to causes which were due to the negligence of the Company and he passed a decree for the amount with costs.

POLICE COURTS.

ALLEGED INTIMIDATION OF A JUDGE.

YESTERDAY, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Cowasji Petigara, of the Bombay Criminal Investigation Department, charged one Janardhan Thathe, under Sections 506 and 507 of the Indian Penal Code with writing threatening letters to the Hon'ble Sir Narayen Chandavarkar. The accused is a convict undergoing a sentence of imprisonment for writing threatening letters to to the Hon'ble the Chief Justice Sir Basil Scott, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Heaton and Mr. J. A. Guider, Deputy Inspector-General of Police. Mr. E. Ferrers Nicholson, Public Prosecutor, appeared for the prosecution.

Sir Narayen Chandavarkar, examined by Mr. Nicholson, said, he was a Judge of the High Court of Bombay. He was one of the Special Bench that tried the Jackson Murder case, in which Anant Luxman Kanare and Karve were the accused. In the course of that trial he convicted Karve and sentenced him to death. While sitting as a Judge in that case he received a post-card and a letter, the post mark bearing the date 15th March 1910. He thought he received the post-card at his residence at Pedder Road, and the letter at the High Court. He handed over the post-card to Inspector Narayenrao, of the Criminal Investigation Department, whom he met at the High Court. The letter he handed over to a police officer on duty at the High Court to give it to Mr. Vincent of the Criminal Investigation Department.

Further hearing was adjourned.

FALSE COMPLAINT.

YESTERDAY, at the Mazagon Police Court, before Mr. C. H. Setalwad, Inspector Fuller charged Vithal das Nanji and his brother Dwarkadas with robbery of ornaments of the value of Rs. 86 the property of Hurjiwan Jetha.

The complainant alleged that last week the accused came to him one night and forcibly removed ornaments from his person.

The defence was that the complainant was the servant of the first accused and for some time in the service of the second accused. He had borrowed Rs.12 on the security of a gold ornament from the first accused. While he was in the service of the second accused, he had taken away several articles without his consent for which he was to be prosecuted. To avoid this a false charge was preferred.

The Magistrate upon the evidence held that the charge was false and ordered the complainant to pay Rs. 15 as compensation to the accused, who were discharged.

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SPORTING NEWS.

HOCKEY.

Aga Khan Tournament.

CHESHIRE REGIMENT (HOLDERS) vs. 14TH HUSSARS.

THE present holders of the Aga Khan Cup advanced a stage in the competition on Tuesday, when on the Marine Lines Maidan they defeated the 14th Hussars by two goals to nil. The attendance, as is the case in purely military games, was only moderate. The game opened with much promise, but after the first twenty minutes, it deteriorated so much that it could not be taken seriously.

In the opening stages both ends were visited, the pace being fast and the play vigorous. It appeared as if the Hussars were out to win, for in the open they had the best of matter. They were certainly the first to become dangerous and in the first ten minutes threw away two very easy opportunities of scoring. The Cheshires paid occasional visits to their opponents' end but met with a sturdy, if rough, defence. Then the Hussars went away again and with almost an open goal failed to score. Half away through the period the Cheshires woke upon and some excellent work by their forward line ended in Duke putting his side ahead. The Hussars from the "bully" attacked and after some desultory skirmishing Bartlett was "tripped" in the Cheshire's circle. Nothing resulted from the short corner and give and take play followed, but neither team was walked effectively. The Cheshires ultimately got settled down to attack, and ultimately Eden through a great error of judgment by Pocock, scored the second goal, the score at half time standing:—

Cheshire Regiment.................. 2 Goals.
14th Hussars .... Nil.

Play after the interval could not in any way be regarded seriously as hockey. Rough and careless were the tactics employed as both sides, although one or two men kept their heads. On the whole the Cheshires continued to have the best of affairs, and the strenuous work of Powell, Hayes and Pocock alone kept the score down. The final score was:—

Cheshire Regiment ... 2 Goals
14th Hussars ... Nil

The teams were as follows:—

CHESHIRE REGIMENT:—Goal, Moore; backs, Harris and Price, half-backs, Mackay, Green and Robinson, forwards, Hume Wright, Whitlow, Eden, Duke and Hodgkins.

14TH HUSSARS:—Goal, Pocock; backs, Powell and Hayes; half-backs, Piper, Russell, and Tyrrell; forwards, Smallwood, Baker, Hallard, Bartlett and Davis.

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE vs. BOMBAY TRAMWAY CO.

ON Tuesday evening, in the third round of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament, the Grant Medical College team met that of the Bombay Tramway Company on the Gymkhana Ground, Bombay. The Medical College team broke away from the "bully off" and, from a penalty corner, Hayter just failed to score, Guthridge clearing. The Medical team still continued to press without scoring, however. Once, when Cooke had a chance at the goal-mouth, Guthridge having mis-kicked, he hit wildly and the ball was cleared. Notwithstanding this, Fergusson shot a moment later, the ball glancing off Guthridge's foot into the goal. This easily-scored point put the Tramway team on their mettle and, for a time, they took up the attack. Their forward combination, however, was not equal to that of the Medical team who returned to the attack, and, after clearing from several goal-mouth "melees," Guthridge was beaten by a shot from Hayter. The Tramway team seemed unable to make any impression upon the defence of their opponents and their incursions into the Medical College half were short-lived. The whistle brought an end to a somewhat uninteresting half, the score being:—

Grant Medical College ....2 Goals.
Bombay Tramway Co.................... Love.

In the second half the Tramway team first took the aggressive and, from a corner, Gordon put in a shot which just went on the wrong side of the upright. The Tramway team continued their attack, but missed many chances in front of the goal through wild hitting. Then the defence cleared and the Medical College forwards got away, Cooke scoring a third goal for his side. After a period of disconnected midfield play, the Grant Medicals' forwards once again got the ball and Guthridge saved from Cooke only to be beaten by a shot from the same player on the rebound. A few moments later, Easdon scored a fifth goal for his side. By this time it was evident that the Tramway team were outplayed and the game lost interest to the spectators. Play resembled an exhibition of shooting practice on the part of the Medical team. At last time came as a relief to a one-sided game, the final score being:—

Grant Medical College .... 5 Goals
Bombay Tramway Co .... Love

The teams were as follows:—

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE: Goal, Canteenwalla; backs, Hildreth and Easdon; half backs, Newland, Osborne and Windsor, forwards, Fergusson, Cooke, Hayter, Easdon and McMorris.

BOMBAY TRAMWAY COMPANY:—Goal, Guthridge; backs, Coulson and Mercado; half-backs, E. Rodrigues, Jones and V. Rodrigues; forwards, Winckler, Gordon, Navin, Wilkinson and King.

Results to date:—

Parsi Pioneer "A" ......Bye		Tr'm-w'y Co 3—2	Grant Med 5-0
Bombay Tramways Co. „			
Rising Star .... „		Grant Med. 2—0	
Bombay Gymkhana ...	Grant Med. 2—0		
Grant Medical			
Wilson College	B.E.S. W.O.	B.E.S. 2—1	
B. E. S. Old Boys			
Pioneers "A"	Pioneers 'A' 1—0		
Y. M. C. A................			
R. G. A. Bombay	R.G.A. 3—1	R.G.A. 1—0	
Parsi Pioneers "A"......			
Royal Warwicks.........	Cyclists 2—0		
B. V. B. Cyclists			
All Blacks	All Blacks 5-0	Lus. w.o.	
Marine Wanderers......			
Young Parsi H.C.......	Lus. 6—1		
Lusitanians..............			
Durham Light Infty...	D.L.I. 7—0	Dors'ts 1—0	
Pioneers "B"			
2nd Dorsets...............	Dors'ts. 1—0		
Elphinstone College Gym.			
Hornets Athletic Club (bye)		Ches. Regt. 7—0	Ches. Regt. 2-0
Cheshire Regt........ „			
14th Hussars .... „		Hussars 2—0	
G. I. P. Railway......... „			

To-day's matches (third round) are:—
R. G. A. Colaba vs. B. E. School, Marine Lines.
Dorset Regiment vs. Lusitanians, Gymkhana Ground.

A COMPLAINT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE"

SIR,—May I trespass upon your space to protest against the behaviour of some of the civilian spectators at yesterday's hockey match. I am not attempting to defend our team's many faults, but I maintain that there was absolutely no excuse for the jeers and mocking laughter with which these people greeted certain incidents of the game. Had any of us "Tommies" behaved so, no name would have been too bad for us. I ought in common justice to say that the offenders appeared to be mostly natives and Goanese, yours, etc.

OLD FOURTEENTH.

LAWN TENNIS.

The Bombay Gymkhana Tournament.

GENTLEMEN'S DOUBLES HANDICAP.

The following is the draw:—

—15·4	F. R. R. Frooke ... and H. Gorrie ...	Bye
—2/6	J. M. S. Culbertson and P. M. D. Sanderson	Bye
—2/6	C. A. Oliver ... and H. M. Kendall ...	Bye
Scr	G. P. Candler ... and A. E. Lewin ...	Bye
+ 3/6	E. E. Savi ... and G. B. Dawes ...	
Scr	M. D. Crichton ... and E. A. Willmott ...	
Scr	N. Thacker ... and J. Cassels ...	
—15	F. Portlock ... and R. Reid ...	
—15	E. P. Comber ... and R. D. England ...	
Scr	A. B. Morrison ... and E. G. Pearson ...	
+2/6	R. B. Ryall ... and T. H. Watts ...	
—15·2	N. Medley ... and K. H. McCormack	
—2/6	J. S. Lunham ... and L. C. Margoliouth.	
—30	J. S. Milne ... and W. A. Roussac ...	
—1/6	A. Briggs ... and A. H. Froom ...	
—1/6	H. B. Murray ... and H. E. Hart ...	
—3/6	M. F. Nicholson ... and P. A. Edwards ...	
Scr	A. W. Jobling ... and J. P. Orr ...	
Scr	N. L. Fischer ... and W. H. Cole ...	Bye
—3/6	W. R. Sharpe ... and Major Tuke ...	Bye
+3/6	J. E. P. Curry ... and A. E. Williams ...	Bye
+4 6	H. R. Pilcher ... and H. G. D. Simon ...	Bye
—15	G. M. Pearson ... and C. Thomson ...	Bye

The 1st round to be played by Monday April 17th.
The 2nd round to be played by Saturday April 22d
The 3rd round to be played by Thursday April 27
The Semi-finals to be played by Monday May 1st
The Final to be played by Wednesday May 3rd.

GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES HANDICAP—1911.

+15	E. H. Dawes	Bye
—15	G. M. Pearson......	Bye
Scr	W. H. Cole.........	Bye
Scr	N. Medley	Bye
Scr	H. E. Hart.........	Bye
—40	R. D. England ...	Bye
Scr	N. Thacker.........	Bye
+2/6	H. Gorrie	Bye
—15·3	K. H. McCormack	Bye
+4/6	H. M. Kendall......	Bye
—5/6	P. M. D. Sanderson	
—5/6	C. A. Oliver.........	
Scr	E. Kaufmann......	
+4/6	A. F. Cromarty ...	
—3/6	A. E. Williams ...	
+15	R. B. Ryall	
+15	M. D. Crichton ...	
—15	Major Tuke.........	
Scr	A. P. Candler......	
Scr	L. C. Margoliouth.	
—4/6	J. S. Lunham	
Scr	A. B. Morrison ...	
+15	F. A. H. East	
+1/6	A. E. Lewin	
Scr	N. L. Fisher	
+15·3	J. E. P. Curry ...	
—3/6	J. R. Reynolds ...	
Scr	E. Hauser	
Scr	A. W. Jobling......	
—4/6	E. A. Willmott ...	
+2/6	J. Cassels............	
+15·3	E. P. Comber......	
—3/6	F. Porttock......	
+4/6	J. E. Grafton	
—5/6	C. Thomson.........	Bye
+4,6	J. M. S. Culbertson	Bye
—2,6	T. H. Watts	Bye
+5/6	H. B. Murray......	Bye
+15	H. R. Pilcher	Bye
—10	F. R. R. Brooke ...	Bye
—3/6	D. B. Binning... „	Bye
+15	J. G. D. Simon ...	Bye
—1/6	B. H. Lupton	Bye
—15	M. F. Nicholson...	Bye

The 1st round to be played by Monday April 17th.
The 2nd round to be played by Tuesday April 25th.
The 3rd round to be played by Monday May 1st.
The Semi-finals to be played by Thursday May 4th.
The Final to be played on Saturday May 6th.

The report of the Cunard Steamship Company, Ltd., for 1910, states that the profits, including £6,988 brought forward were £994,149. A dividend of 5 per cent. is recommended, leaving £60,332 to be carried forward. £471,198 is reserved for depreciation.

THE LADIES' CORNER.

THE SMALL THINGS.

WHEN I am writing about fashions, says Mrs. Evan Nepean in the "Pall Mall Gazette", I always find that I most enjoy dealing with the small things. And this is the day of small things without question!—and very charming they can be, for the detail of the moment is an exclusive creation; its name is not legion, but it is of paramount importance (and, perhaps, I ought to have written "therefore" instead of "but"?) In the tasteless days of the nineties, women, smart women, covered themselves with all sorts of etceteras, and this habit of an odd bow here, a flower there, an extra chain or bangle, a wisp of lace or a galaxy of brooches, a "worried" sash or a mixture of buttons, has clung to some people till they have found it really hard to break themselves of the English habit of not leaving well alone. I confess that the real reason for this piling Pelion upon Ossa has always seemed to me that there was a doubt connected with Ossa! Ossa didn't fit, or wasn't hung right, and up came Pelion and was used as a disguise, "the bunch of flowers painted at the base of the neck to hide bad modelling," emphasised immortally by Mr. Kipling.

LACE MILLINERY.

To-day the world is insisting on lace. This may be a small thing or a very big one, but I have been considering it among the details, and enjoying the process heartily. Now, for instance, I met an extremely becoming hat the other day; it had, to all appearance, three charming feathers, set in the usual upright fashion, but on closer approach I saw that they were not ostrich plumes, but frills of black and white lace—two white and a black, and very fine, falling from a "stem" like a feather's, on to which they are gathered. They looked so smart. I have also seen this substitute-for feathers mode carried out in very limp plisse chiffon and this, in two shades of mole and two of damask-rose red, was enchanting on a big mole-coloured coarse straw, quaintly woven with sharp-edged ridges in it, and lined with printed satin, red roses and mole foliage on a hardly-seen background. The chiffon "feathers" blew about so prettily in the breeze. The hat was worn with one of the new striped satin suits, mole, with a black line in it. (The mole was of a brownish shade all through, by the way.) The return of narrowly striped taffetas is one which delights me. I have a fascinating picture of an adorable lady in the forties, attired in a striped taffetas gown, dull rose, cocoa-colour, and white, with a most attractive—well, I don't quite know whether to call it a cape collar or a fichu of fine, clear muslin and lace, very transparent; and the whole thing, allowing, of course, for the differently-placed waist-line and the fulness of the skirts, might be annexed to-day bodily as an idea for a frock. The colouring in those days was quite sweet! To return to that hat with the lace feathers I must add that it was accompanied by a blouse which struck me as rather reversing the order of things—it had a "solid yoke," or chemisette, and sleeves, and the rest was transparent. Perfectly plain black chiffon velvet was employed for the shoulders (it was on modified Magyar lines), and then attached to the yoke was a blouse of lace, double "feather-stitched" on with silver thread, the real old feather-stitching of nursery days; themselves concluded early, over lace once which had velvet hems, also feather-stitched on; of course, the lace matched the "feathers" in the hat.

INSECT DECORATIONS.

Of late the butterfly and even the dragonfly have figured in embroideries for evening gowns, but I was rather surprised to meet a hat trimmed with bees the other day! Yet there they were—the 'shape' was of quite plain sepia-brown velvet underlined with Black tulle, and round the low crown were placed at intervals very well imitated bumble-bees in chenille, in their natural brown and black colouring. They were not alarmingly realistic, and they looked at the first glance, like one of the wreaths of silk and velvet flowers to which we are accustomed but bees they were, beyond a doubt. Well, if we put scarabs in various places about our attire, why not the humble bumble? By the way, a magnificent tiger-moth, made of tiny feathers in natural colours, was stretched across the corsage of a charming tea-coloured velveteen dinner-grown lately, and this feather embroidery can be quite beautiful—the smaller feathers of the peacock, those of the neck and breast shading from brilliant blue to bronze-gold, make the most glorious butterflies, not entirely according to nature!—though that gorgeous piercingly-blue sort (the name of which I always forget, which one has seen in enamel sometimes of late years) can be repeated in peacock neck-plumage fairly faithfully. It reminds one of the feather "jewellery" of the East! "Powdered with golden bees"—the phrase comes back from the days of the Empire. It has a Napoleonic ring, and an attraction of its own besides. Nowadays we all have our pet flowers, but I think we might choose another sort of symbol. I once met a girl whose trousseau lingerie was all embroidered with a tiny ladybird! It had been her nursery name (she must have had a nurse like Juliet's). Another, whose name was Stella, had a star worked on everything; a sister—named Diana—a crescent moon. I call that almost poetical, and quite pretty!

A DOG AND A MOTOR-CAR.

This is the real history of a motor-car accident which happened in Lancashire a little while ago. If the occupants of the car chance to hear it it may interest them. The infirmities of age had gathered upon an old watch-dog at a Lancashire farm till everyone felt that its life must be burden to it, and it was agreed that it ought in mercy to be shot. But no one in the family or on the farm would do the humane but treacherous-seeming deed. One day the farmer and his sons, all but the youngest, went to the fair in the neighbouring town. The youngest was to be allowed to go next day, but it was very much on his mind that he would have no money to spend. So when he and his mother were alone he pleaded for the modest sum of a shilling. "I'll tell you what I'll do," said she. "If you'll take the old dog to the stone quarry and shoot him, so as I shan't hear the gun going off, I'll give you half-a-crown."

The lad hated the job, but he badly wanted the money and at last he agreed. He took the gun as if he was going to shoot rabbits, and whistled for the old dog to follow him down the lane. Just as they came to a turning by the quarry the tooting of a motor was heard close behind. The lad had barely time to jump out of the way, and when the car had passed he saw the old dog lying dead in the dust. The driver had the grace to stop and come to see what damage was done. When he departed the farmer's son was richer by a sovereign. After burying the old dog he went home, and received from his mother the promised half crown. Not until this transaction was completed did he tell the tale.

M. Fallieres, in mail week, signed the nomination of M. Lutaud as Governor of Algeria, in succession to M. Jonnart.

"Peter Pan" is to have a statue raised in his honour in Kensington Gardens, Sir George Frampton is the sculptor, and Mr. J. M. Barrie the donor. The artist has been at work on the statue for eighteen months, and is now practically finished. It will be exhibited at the forthcoming Royal Academy Exhibition.

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But in these days of scientific farming peas and beans are frequently sown during February, or even the previous autumn.

ROMAN CATHOLICISM IN ITALY.

A recent article in the "Messagero" gives some remarkable figures concerning the organisation of the Roman Catholic Church in Italy. There are it seems, apart from the higher ranks of the hierarchy in Rome itself, 306 bishops, 5,000 priests of the higher grade, and 43,600 seculars for the 20,500 parish churches and 2,000 chapels of ease in Italy. In addition to this there are 4,900 monasteries and convents, 1,078 religious colleges, and 300 seminaries, while the Oraterians, who are neither monastic nor secular priests, but mainly concerned in preaching and holding missions, number over 2,000. The Church in Italy has also a widespread organisation of fraternities and guilds among the laity, and pursues its social work in all the ways that are familiar to us in the Anglican Church. It possesses 2,000 orphanages, 1,850 clerical clubs, 513 social clubs, while 300 clerical clubs keep the worldly accounts of the Italian priesthood. There are, of course, numerous libraries of theology in Italy, but we fancy that 540 clerical newspapers and publication must be a slight exaggeration. But considering the number of churches it is not surprising to read that 21,000 people are employed, in looking after them. What we should like to know, in addition to these figures, is the percentage of the population that attends church. Is it, in spite of this wonderful organisation, any greater than the number which Mr. Booth gave for London—one in three?

THE WELCOME TO THE LADY M.P.

The seventeenth of March was a memorable day in the history of the Norwegian Storthing. For on that day the first lady Deputy took her seat and received quite an ovation from the President and members of the Government. The President made a little speech to celebrate the occasion: Honourable deputies (said he) to-day is a memorable day in the history of your country for it is the first occasion on which a lady enters your assembly as a representative of the people. This is without doubt a striking event, even if opinion is divided more or less on this important question. But I am entirely convinced that posterity will hail this step as one that does honour to our country, and that it assists, and will continue to assist, the political development of our country. These are sentiments which will no doubt meet with the enthusiastic approval of our suffragettes, who will now look forward with renewed hope to the election of a lady to St. Stephen's. But whether she would meet with such a gallant reception at Westminster is another matter although one is certain that Mr. Lowther, like the President of the Storthing would do all he could to make her visit agreeable.

THE PASSING OF A GREAT CRICKETER.

Full details of the sudden death of Mr. W. L. Murdoch, the famous Australian cricket captain and batsman, are to hand by Mr. Murdoch was watching the second day's play in the fourth Test match on the Melbourne cricket-ground. Although it was known that he was suffering from an affection of the heart, he was as bright and active as usual, chatting cheerfully with old friends and criticising the play with his customary keenness and kindliness. When the adjournment for lunch arrived Mr. Murdoch rose and laughingly remarked: "I shall never make a prophecy about cricket again." This was an allusion to the fact that the South African innings had not developed on the lines he had predicted. Mr. Murdoch lunched with the M. C. C. Committee, and afterwards remained chatting with an old friends, Major Markham. Suddenly he uttered an exclamation of pain and his head fell forward on the table. The next moment he slipped out of his chair and fell on the floor.

FOUNDER'S DAY AT CROYDON.

A picturesque anniversary is Founder's Day, which was celebrated in connexion with various educational and philanthropic institutions established by Archbishop Whitgift at Croydon. The boys of the Grammar and Middle Schools, with their masters, march in procession to the parish church, accompanied by the brethren and sisters of the Hospital of the Holy Trinity, the ancient edifice which was recently threatened with demolition. All who take part in the procession wear "white gift" flowers, which are provided at the expense of Sir Frederick Edridge, the chairman of the governors of the foundation. After service the boys and old people file solemnly past the tomb of Whitgift.

ANOTHER LINK WITH SCOTT.

A correspondent of the Scotsman gives some interesting particulars of the early life of an old lady who has recently died in Edinburgh at the age of ninety-seven. Mrs. Jean Burke was a Macgregor whose ancestors came from the Braes of Balquhidder, and in whose family there runs a tradition that they were direct descendants of Rob Roy. Mrs. Burke, in her young days, along with her two sisters, resided next door to Sir Walter Scott, and saw him regularly every morning leaving his house for his duties in Parliament House. The three young Macgregors, consistent with the tradition of the family, were in the habit of wearing cloaks of Rob Roy tartan, and the old lady recalled how Sir Walter Scott used to greet them, as they started for school, with the words "Rob Roy Macgregor."

THE DEPOPULATION OF FRANCE.

Statistics have been published to show that, in the year 1960, the population of Germany will probably reach the figure of 100,000,000, while that of France will be only 25,000,000. Time alone will show whether this forecast is right; but it is interesting to note that anxiety on the subject already prevailed in France in the eighteenth century. The Abbe Saint-Pierre then thought that the marriage of priests would be a remedy; and he calculated that, if all the priests had married from the time of Francis I there would have been forty million more Catholics in the country. Maurice de Saxe saw the solution of the problem in leasehold marriages which he believed would be more fruitful than the ordinary permanent unions for better or for worse. A third proposal was that the entire French Army should be compelled to marry. This plan, according to the reformer who recommended it, would embellish the race and ameliorate the destiny of the nation.

NO GREGORIAN CALENDAR FOR TURKEY.

The success which met efforts of Turkish reformers to introduce standard mean time in place of the ancient time arrangement depending on the ever-changing time of sunset was followed by the drafting of a measure to adopt the Gregorian Calendar throughout the Empire for civil purposes. This, however, has proved too big an order for the Turkish Parliament, and the project has been dropped. To placate religious scruples it was proposed to commence the year on March 1 and to count from the Hegira (March 1, 622 A.D.). When one remembers that at least five different methods of marking the flight of the year now exist in Turkey the need of reform is apparent.

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BOOKS AND BOOKMEN.

LEGEND OF DON JUAN.

When Byron set about writing "Don Juan"—a work which has perhaps a better chance of survival than anything else that he has done—he allowed himself every liberty with the elements of the legend up to then associated with that name, and in nothing more strikingly than in his elimination of the tragical and supernatural close of the hero's career. What that close is readers of Moliere will remember. In that fine although structurally defective play "Le Festin de Pierre," which Moliere hastily flung together to meet a popular demand at a time when the exchequer was low, we see how Don Juan, finding himself in the neighbourhood of the statue raised over the commander whom formerly he had slain in a duel, has the whim to ask him to supper. With the nod of the head the statue accepts the invitation, and that night presents itself at Don Juan's rooms, where it is entertained with music and song. The hero accepts a return invitation, but on the eve of this second supper the statue again comes and seizing the hero by the hand fills his body with an agonising invisible fire. Flames break through the earth, and in a storm of thunder and lighting Don Juan sinks into the abyss.

ITS MANY FORMS.

In his elaborate examination of the many forms which in many lands the legend has taken M. Georges Gendarme de Bevotte, while confirming previous opinion in finding the source of this incident in the "Burlador de Sevilla" of Tirso de Molina, amply proves that Moliere had no first-hand knowledge of that play. There is nothing which he embodies in his "Festin de Pierre" which he might not have found in writers nearer his own time, while there is something in the "Burlador" which he might have been the better of knowing. Thus the reason in the Spanish original why the hero plucks the statue by the beard and inviting it to supper, promises satisfaction with the sword afterwards, is that he feels himself insulted by the epitaph, in which he is described as a traitor. Moreover in this case the second supper takes place, and the hero has to eat a meal of scorpions and vipers as if he were as accustomed to that dish as to maccaroni and cheese. Here, however, the hero is merely led off the stage by the burning hand amid the sounds of spirit voices and of wailing. This is the ultimate source of the "guest of stone" episode in the legend of Don Juan. M. de Bevotte goes further back still, however, and finds that Tirso de Malina was himself a borrower and derived from a conception which may or may not have been original with Lope de Vega. In the "Dineres son Calidad" (Money is Merit) of the latter the hero, Octavio, starving to death, finds himself at nightfall near the statue over the tomb of the king who has wrongously deprived him of his possessions. Incensed by reading the inscription on the tomb, he challenges the dead king and lies down to sleep close at hand. A voice awakens him and the statue beckons for him to follow him into a dark grotto, and as the two enter a torch suddenly kindles into light. Octavio draws upon his enemy, but his sword passes through the solid marble as it might through thin air. He then throws his sword aside and closes with the statue. The latter has still the advantage, but, graciously explaining that he is now statisfied with Octavio's heroic courage, promises that he will restore him his possessions, and that all the more readily that his doing so will enable him to escape the pains of Purgatory. "Are then the pains of Purgatory so great?" asks Octavio. "Give me your hand," is the answer, "and you will pity me." He does so, and so terrible an element of fire passes into his frame that he is glad to cry out for release.

PERFECT ENGLISH PROSE.

A correspondent writes to the "Manchester Guardian":—"In a recent article you give Mr. Saintsbury's opinion about the best example of absolutely perfect English prose. You do not say whether you agree or disagree with that opinion, and the omission has left some of us curious." A writer in the above-mentioned paper has no hesitation in endorsing Mr. Saintsbury's opinion, to the extent, at least, of admitting that the two verses from the "Song of Solomon" upon which he pronounces his eulogy are a superlatively fine passage of English prose, and that at the present moment he cannot cap it with a better. The two passions with which it deals—love and its inversion, jealousy—are primordial passions; it makes regarding them assertions which, however, tremendous in themselves, are nothing more than literally true, and it does so in language which not only moves exquisitely to a most solemn music but takes a reader's imagination by storm. The striking thing, however, in last week's allusion was that it should be so high an authority as Mr. Saintsbury who pronounced the encomium, for, whatever we may think of that critic's accuracy as a literary historian (and he is capable of ascribing "Wildfell Hall" to Emily Bronte) or of his distrust of theorising, he has two qualities which admirably fit him for deciding on such a point. One is his wide knowledge of English literature. He has the scholar's knowledge of its highways, the virtuous knowledge of its nooks and crannies, and the journalist's knowledge of its latest manifestations. And if English is "the strength of his head," French is his wash-pot, and over German, Italian, Spanish, Dutch, and Greek he has cast shoe. He is perhaps the best-read man in Europe. Moreover in his ranging through books his method has been the appreciation of the purely literary qualities of literature, with the result that no one is better qualified by long training to pronounce this or that passage excellent and, comparing with other passages, declare which is the best. There is no such thing as an absolute authority in literature, but the judgments of one so qualified are of singular interest. Our correspondent's suggestion that we should deal with the whole questions of fine prose with illustrative examples is tempting, and will be kept in mind. In the meantime he will perhaps find something to his taste in an interesting article entitled "The Purple Period" in the "Nation" for January 28, of this year.

BICENTENARY OF BOILEAU.

Probably few readers experienced any ardent longing to join in mail week in the celebrations organised by the "Revue Francaise" to commemorate the bicentenary of Boileau. A paper by M. Belessort on "Boileau bourgeois de Paris" followed by readings of the works of the poet-critic do not appeal powerfully to the imagination. The reputation of the author of "L'Art Poetique" has stood both higher and lower in France than it does at the present moment. To Voltaire he was "the honour of France," and reigned as supermuse over the arid Parnassus of the eighteenth century. On the other hand, to some of the more fiery spirits of the Romantic movement he was the very Antichrist of poetry, its man of sin and son of perdition. In our own time Brunetiere has done something to bring him back to the good graces of his fellow-countrymen in his edition of the "Œuvres Poetiques, in his "Evolution des Genres," and in the footnotes in telegraphese of his "Manuel de l'Histoire de Littrature Francaise." He is as much out in the cold, however, as his English analogue Pope is in this country. He stands for a school of criticism which breaks up the kingdom of poetry into provinces—lyric, ode, elegy, epic, and so on,—each with his own set of rules to be observed. His ideal was that reason and common-sense should rule over poetry, and that style should be standardised to a uniform pattern, to the destruction of that spontaneous individuality which is, after all, the very life of literature.

GIBBON'S AUTOBIOGRAPHY.

Gibbon's Autobiography, which, has just been added to the popular Everyman's Library, is incidentally notable for its remarkable panegyric on "Tom Jones." Modern research has, indeed, demolished the accuracy of Gibbon's statement that Fielding's ancestors drew their origin from the Counts of Hapsburg, but the further pronouncement that "the romance of Tom Jones, that exquisite picture of human manners, will outlive the palace of the Escurial, and the imperial eagle of the house of Austria," may yet prove to be true. At all events, it shows Gibbon's high appreciation of our first great English novel, and, as Thackeray puts it, "to have your name mentioned by Gibbon is like having it written on the dome of St. Peter's. Pilgrims from all over the world admire and behold it."

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